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SONIC THE HEDGEHOG HAS SPENT YEARS FIGHTING THE FORCES OF DR. EGGMAN.

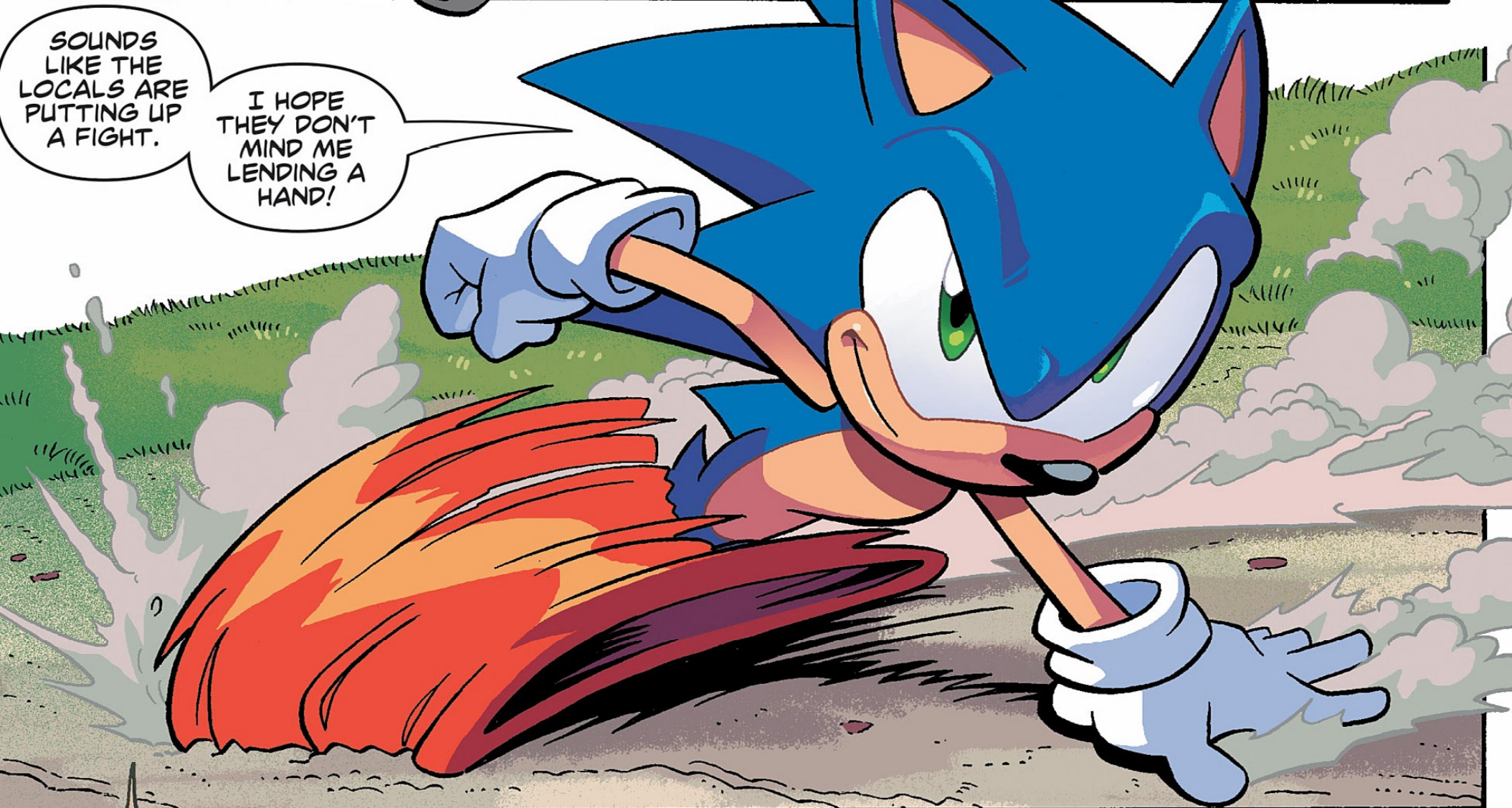
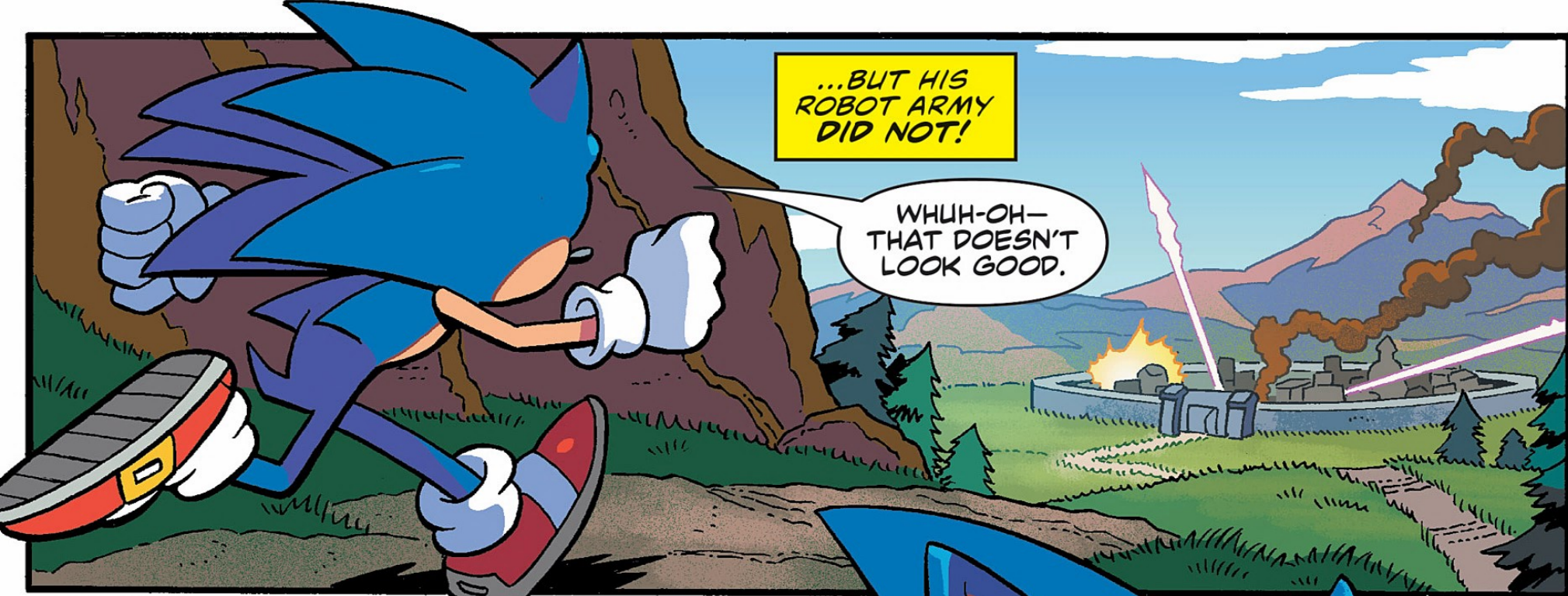
TIME AND AGAIN THE MAD DOCTOR ATTACKS, SONIC STRIKES BACK, THEN RELAXES UNTIL EGGMAN RETURNS.



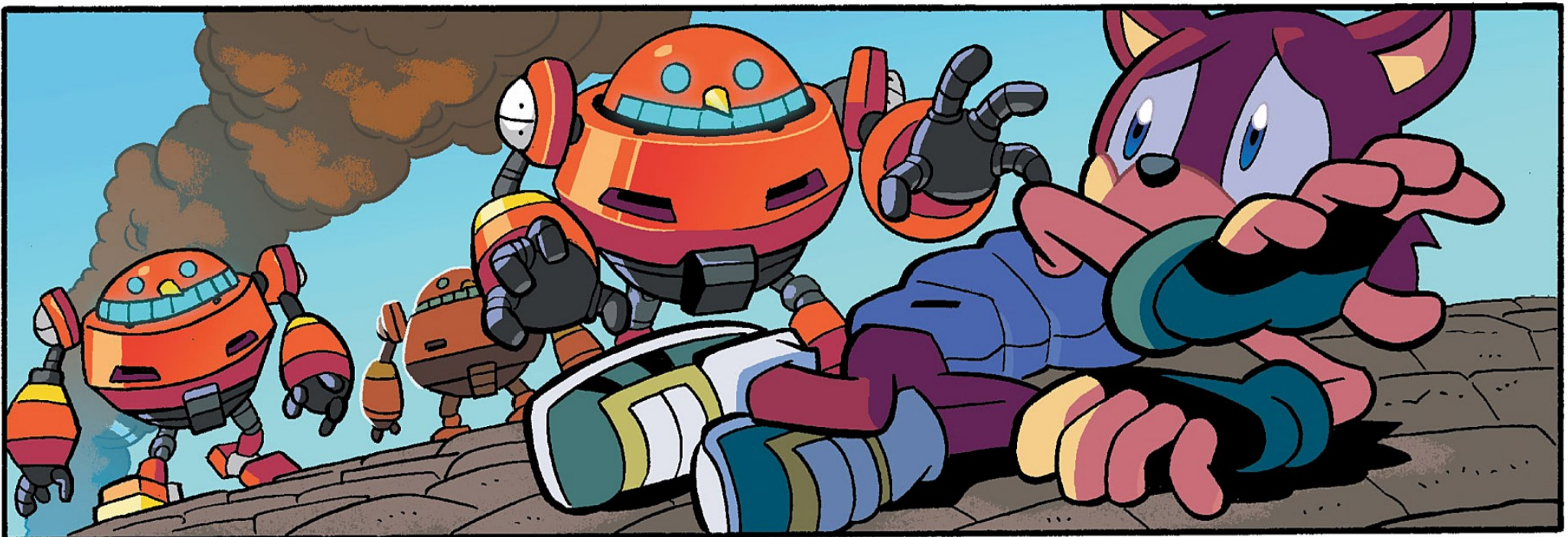
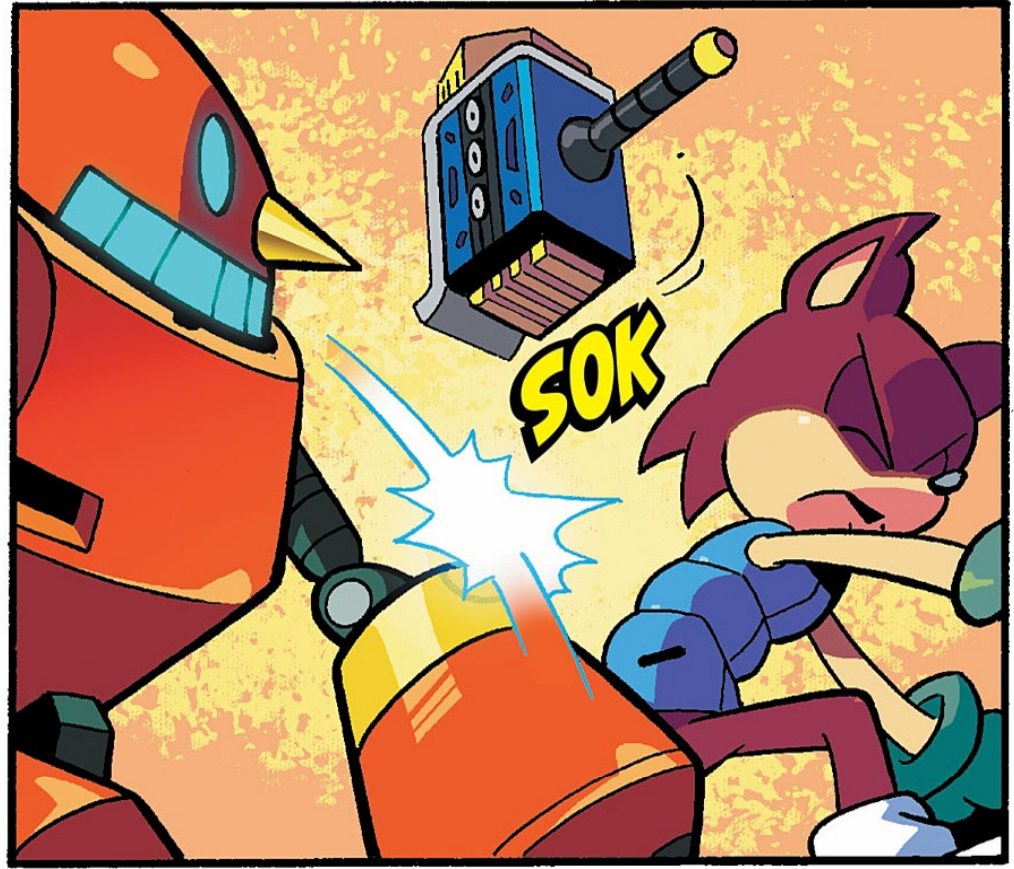
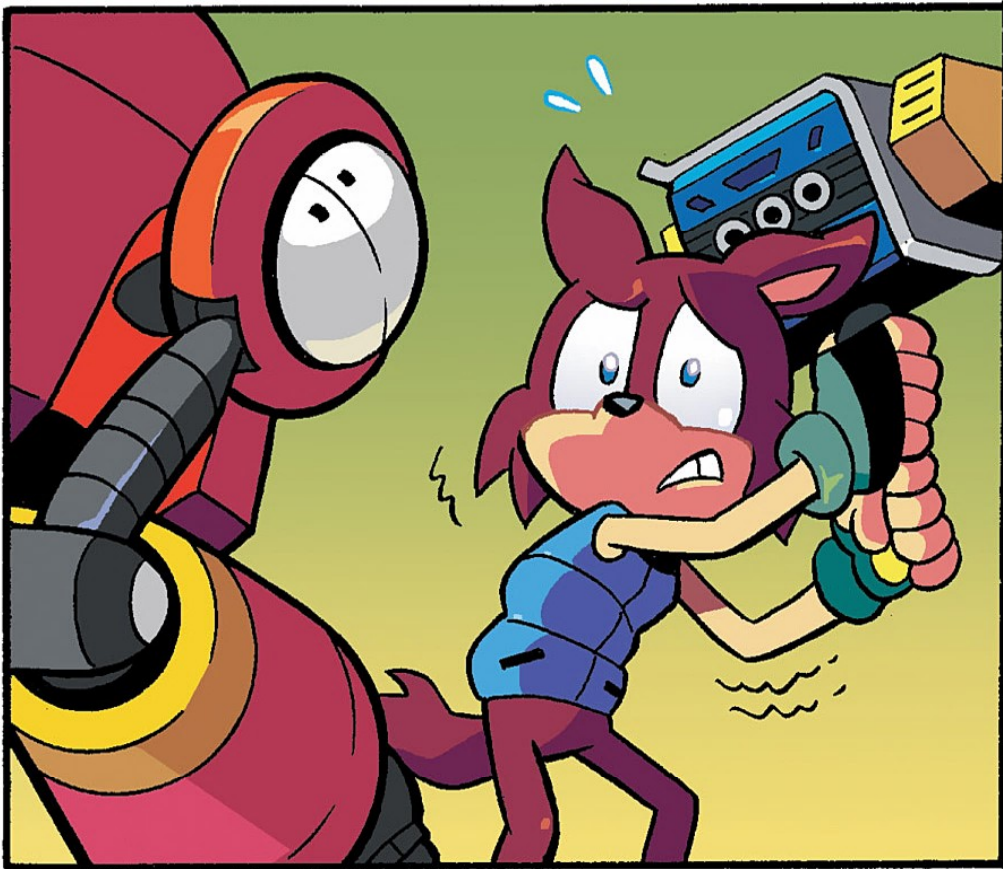
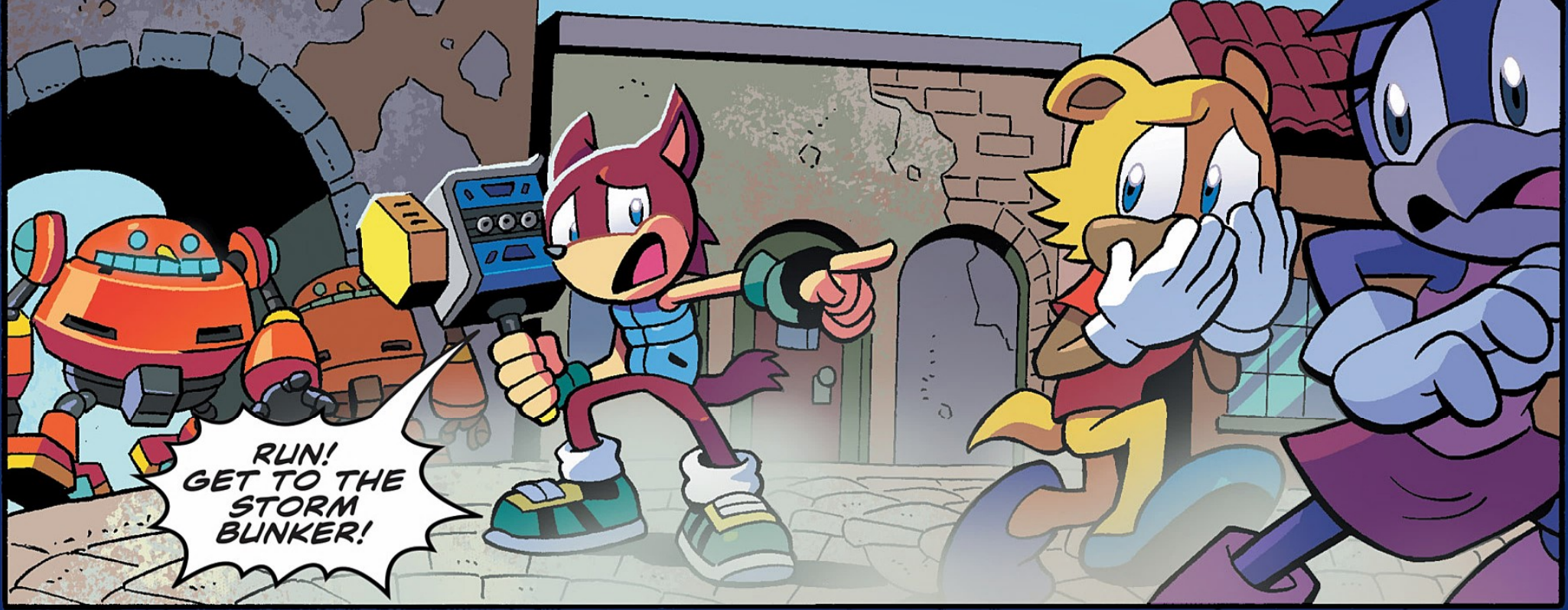
BUT AFTER THEIR LAST BATTLE...

...DR. EGGMAN VANISHED...













HEY!  
YOU  
HURT?

N-NOT  
REALLY.  
YOU'RE...  
YOU'RE  
SONIC!



THE  
ONE AND  
ONLY.

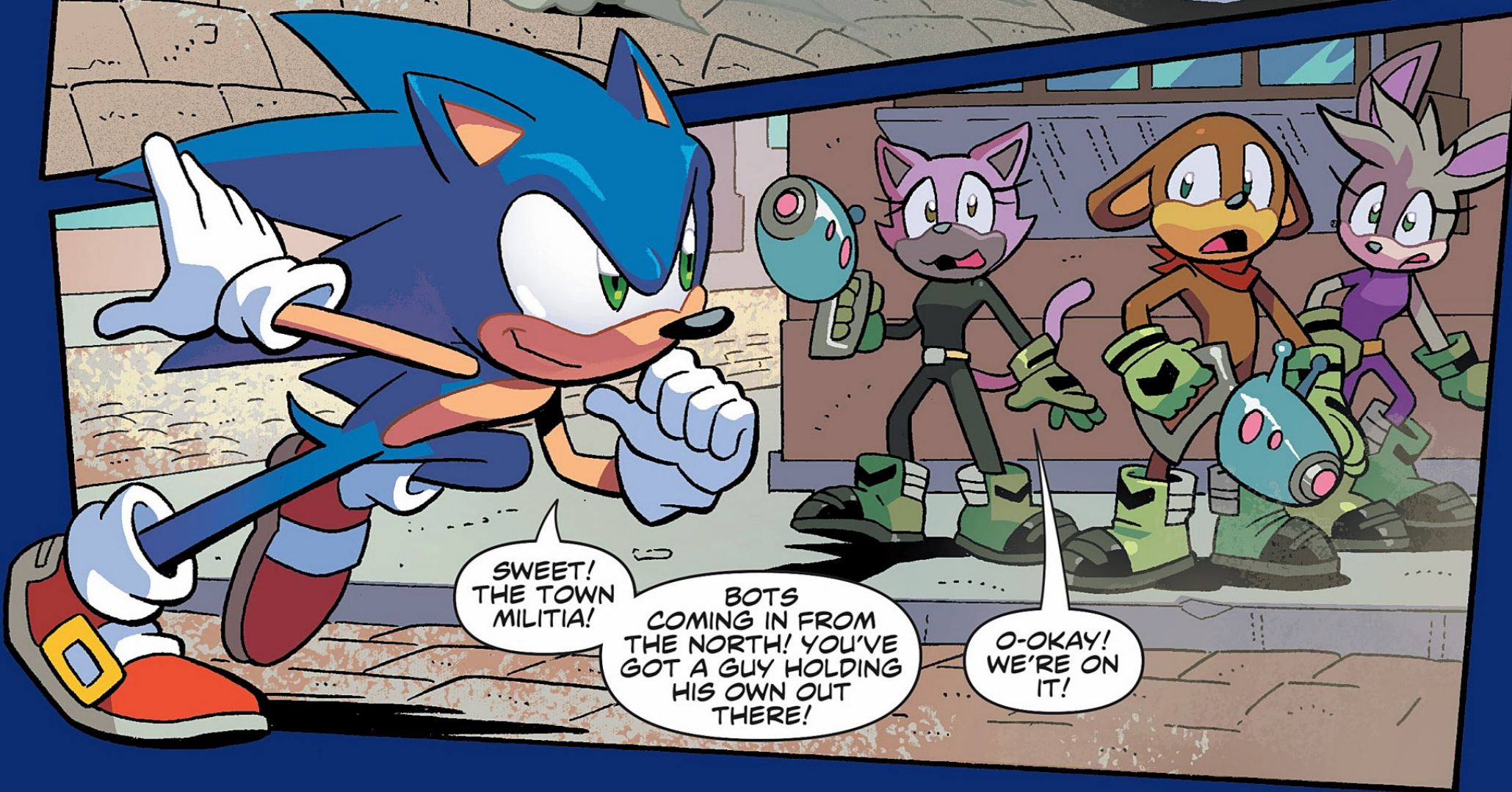
HERE  
YOU GO. TRY  
SWINGING IT AT  
THE ROBOTS NEXT  
TIME. I KNEW  
SOMEBODY WHO  
PUT IT TO GOOD  
USE.

YOU'RE...  
THE  
SONIC!



MAYBE  
GET INSIDE, BUDDY.  
NICE CHAT! NEED  
TO SAVE YOUR  
TOWN. BYE!

O-O-KAY!



SWEET!  
THE TOWN  
MILITIA!

BOTS  
COMING IN FROM  
THE NORTH! YOU'VE  
GOT A GUY HOLDING  
HIS OWN OUT  
THERE!

O-O-KAY!  
WE'RE ON  
IT!





HURRY UP! THEY'RE CLOSING IN!

I'M TRYING! IT'S STUCK!

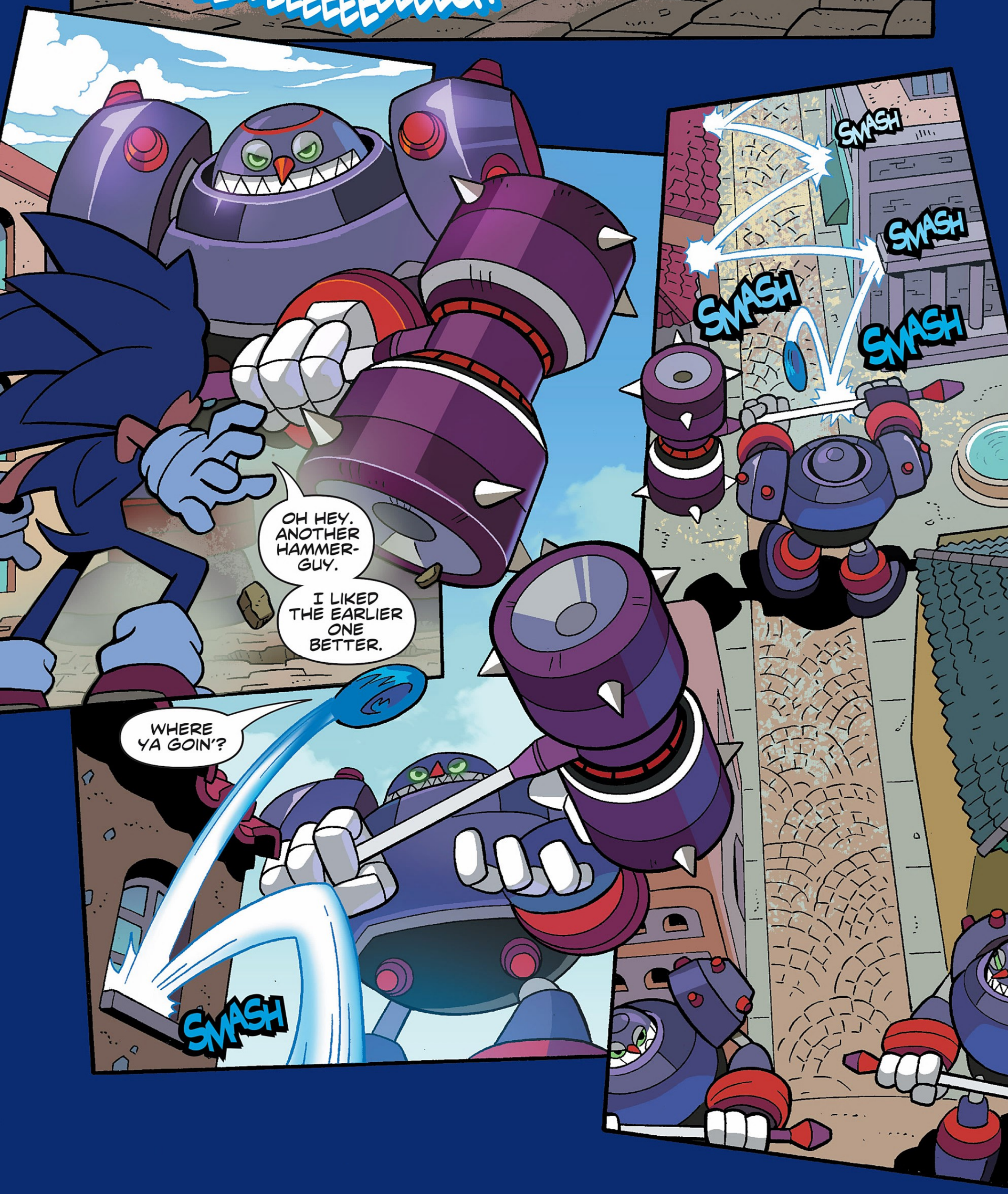
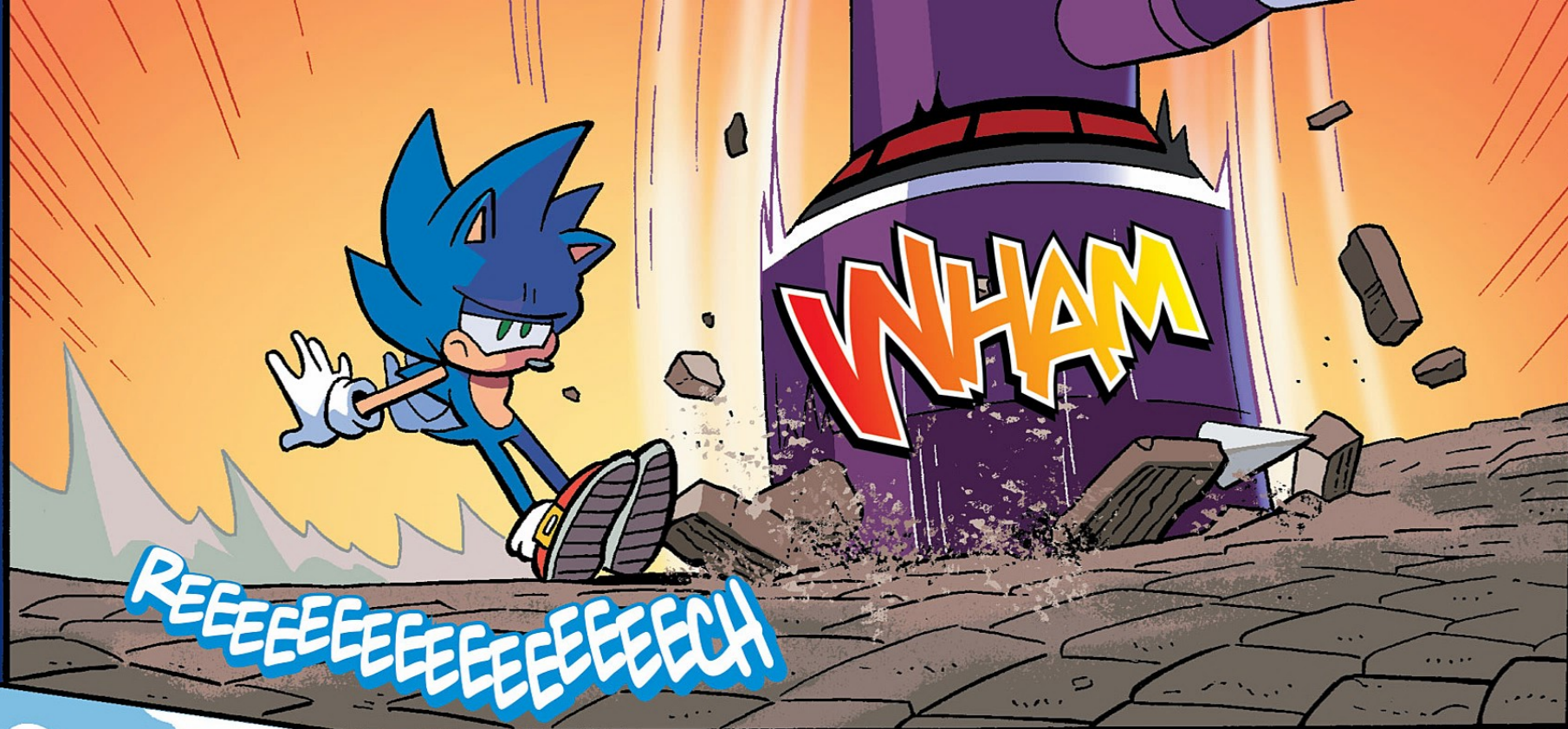
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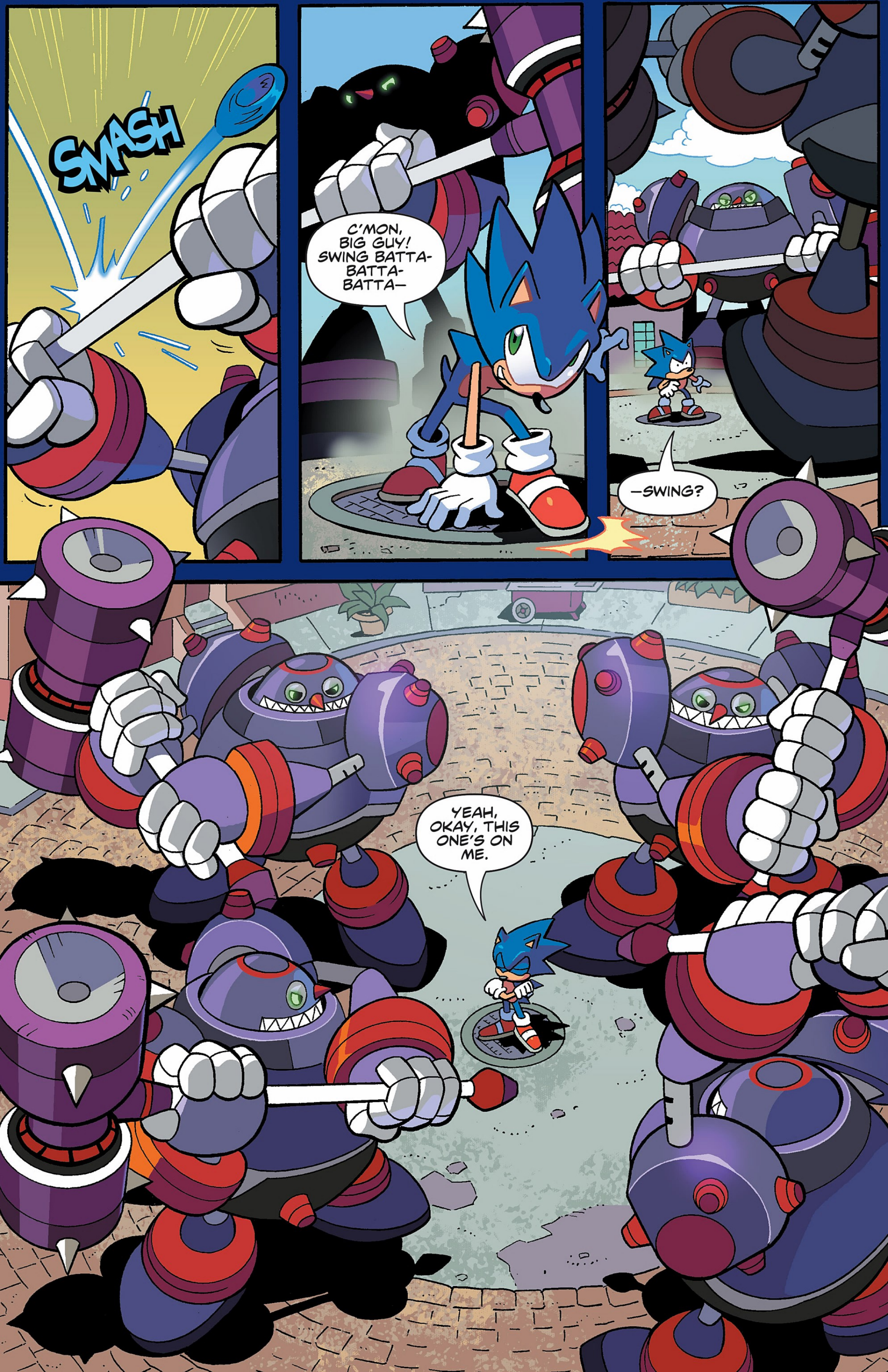
...ALL THIS TERROR MIGHT BE WORTH IT IF I GET TO SAY SONIC WINKED AT ME!

I HOPE WE SURVIVE LONG ENOUGH TO GET HIS AUTOGRAPH!













WHAM

WHAM

WHAM

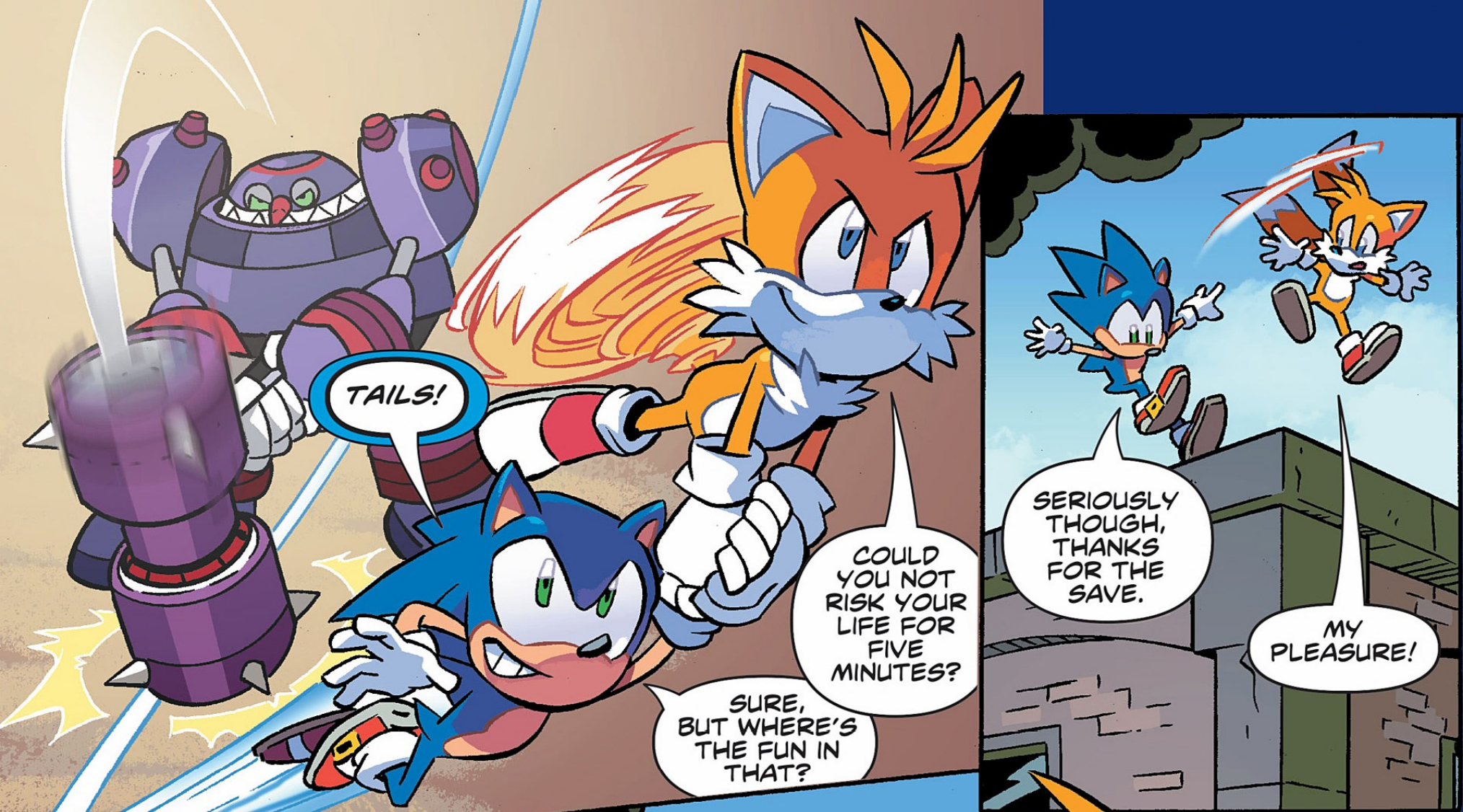
WHAM



"HEDGEHOG."  
NOUN. A  
BURROWING  
ANIMAL.

WHOA!  
YOU GUYS CAN  
REALLY MOVE  
WHEN YOU WANT  
TO!





TAILS!

COULD YOU NOT RISK YOUR LIFE FOR FIVE MINUTES?

SURE, BUT WHERE'S THE FUN IN THAT?

SERIOUSLY THOUGH, THANKS FOR THE SAVE.

MY PLEASURE!

WHAT'S THE STATUS OF THE TOWN?

A BUNCH OF SMALL-FRY BADNIKS. I TOOK CARE OF MOST OF THEM, AND THE TOWN'S MILITIA CAN HANDLE THE REST.

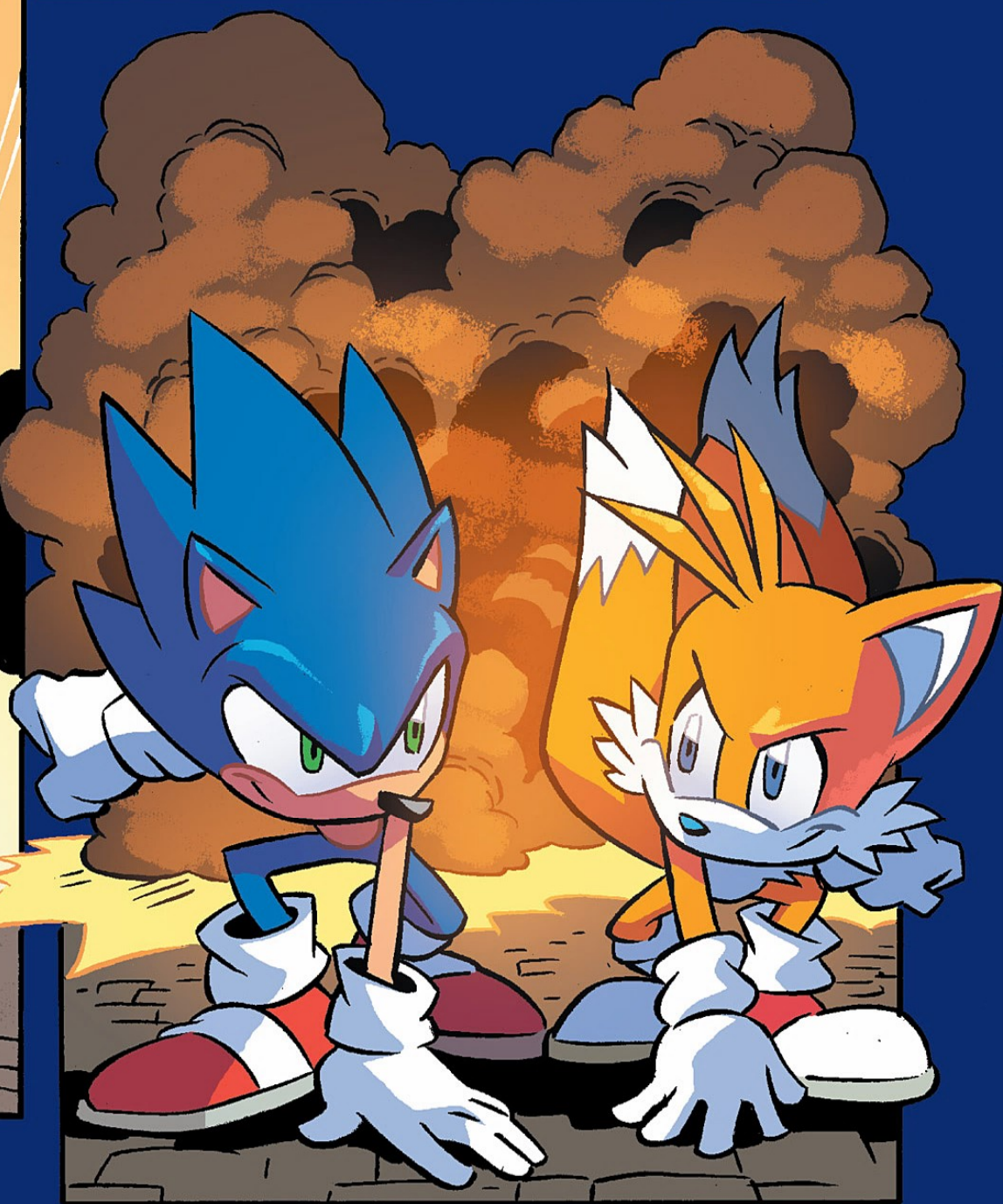
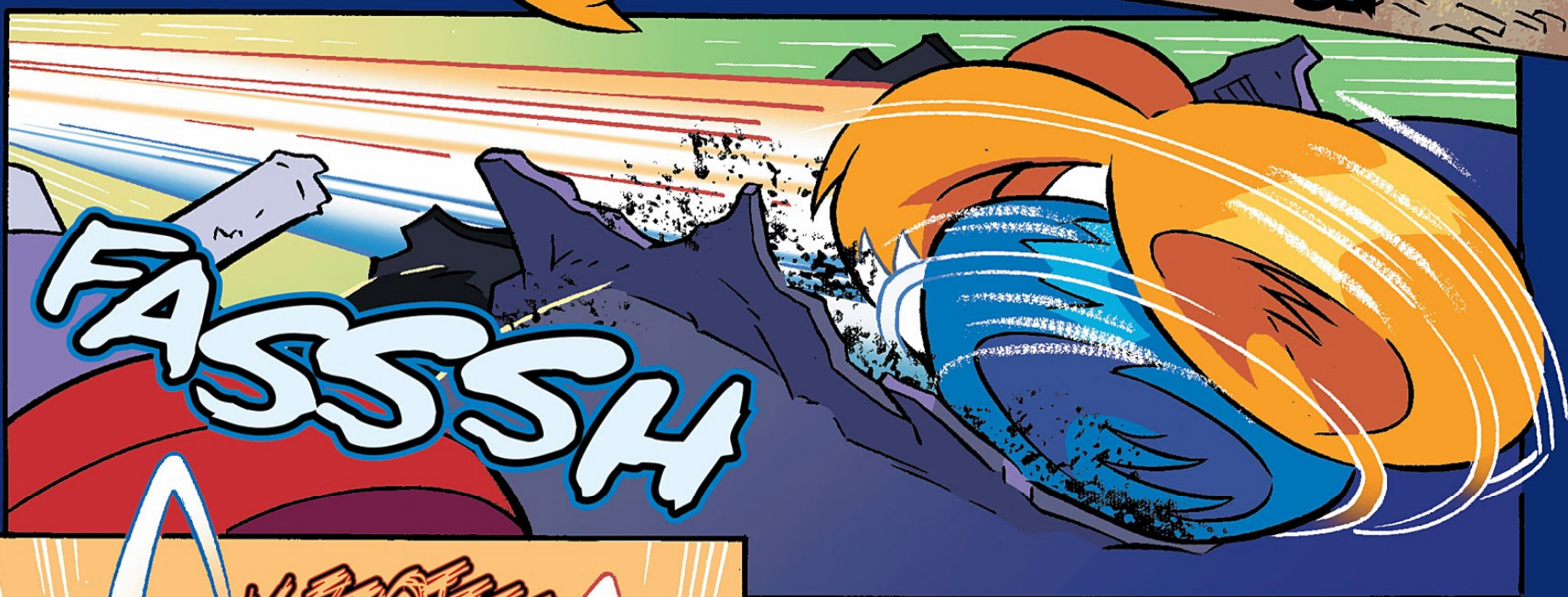
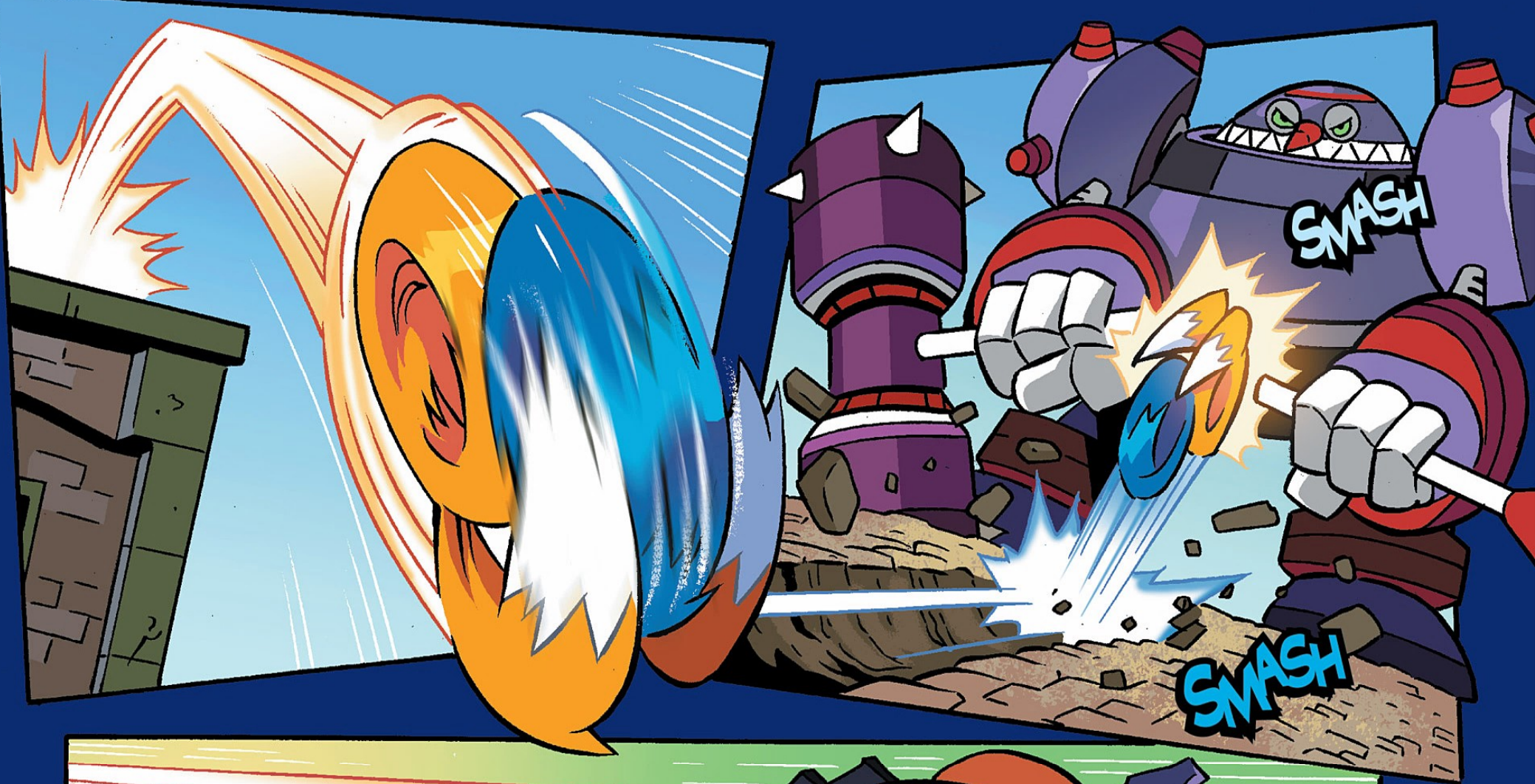
THOSE SUPER BADNIKS ARE ANOTHER STORY.

THOSE ARE BETTER LEFT TO THE PROFESSIONALS!

LET'S SHOW 'EM HOW IT'S DONE!



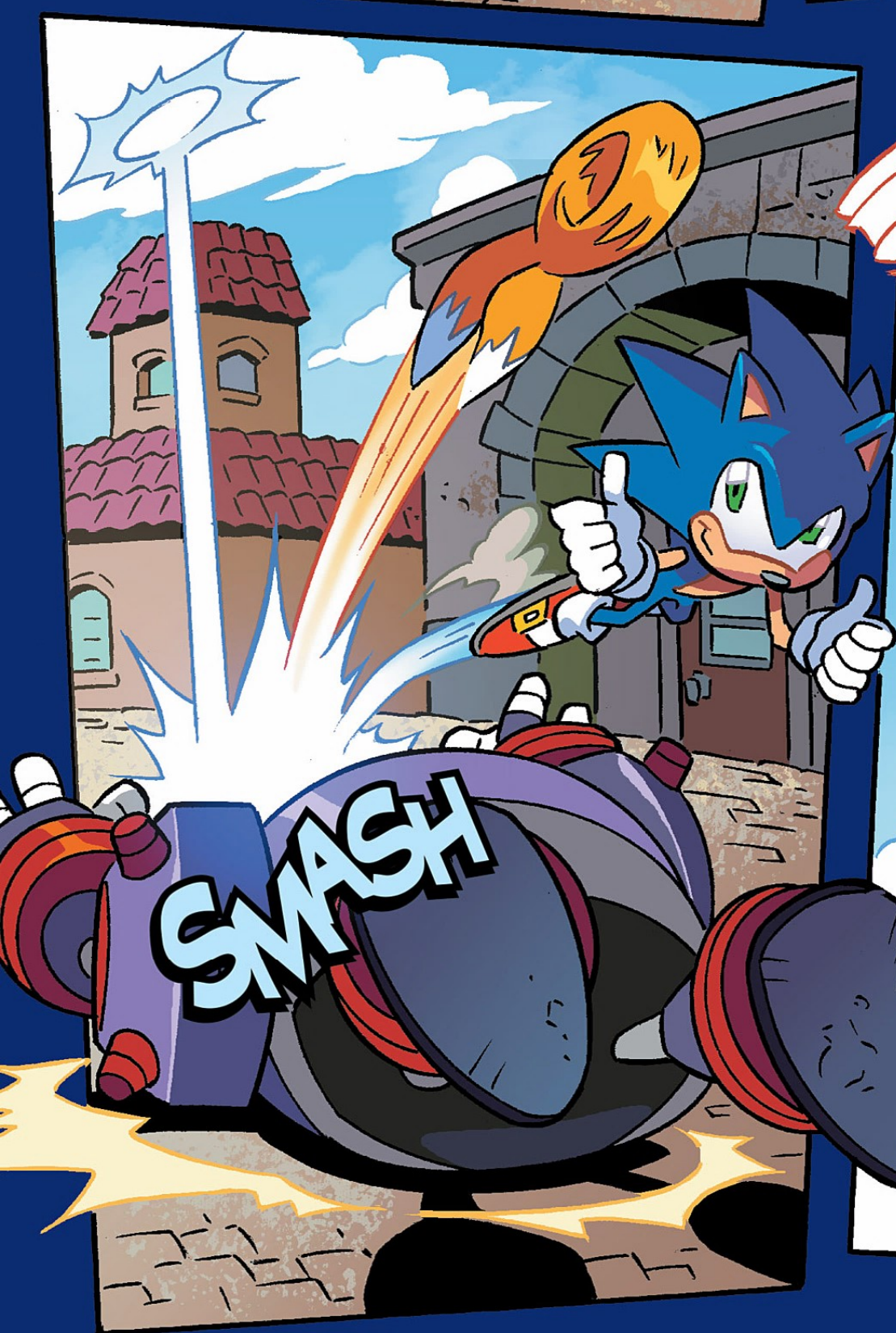
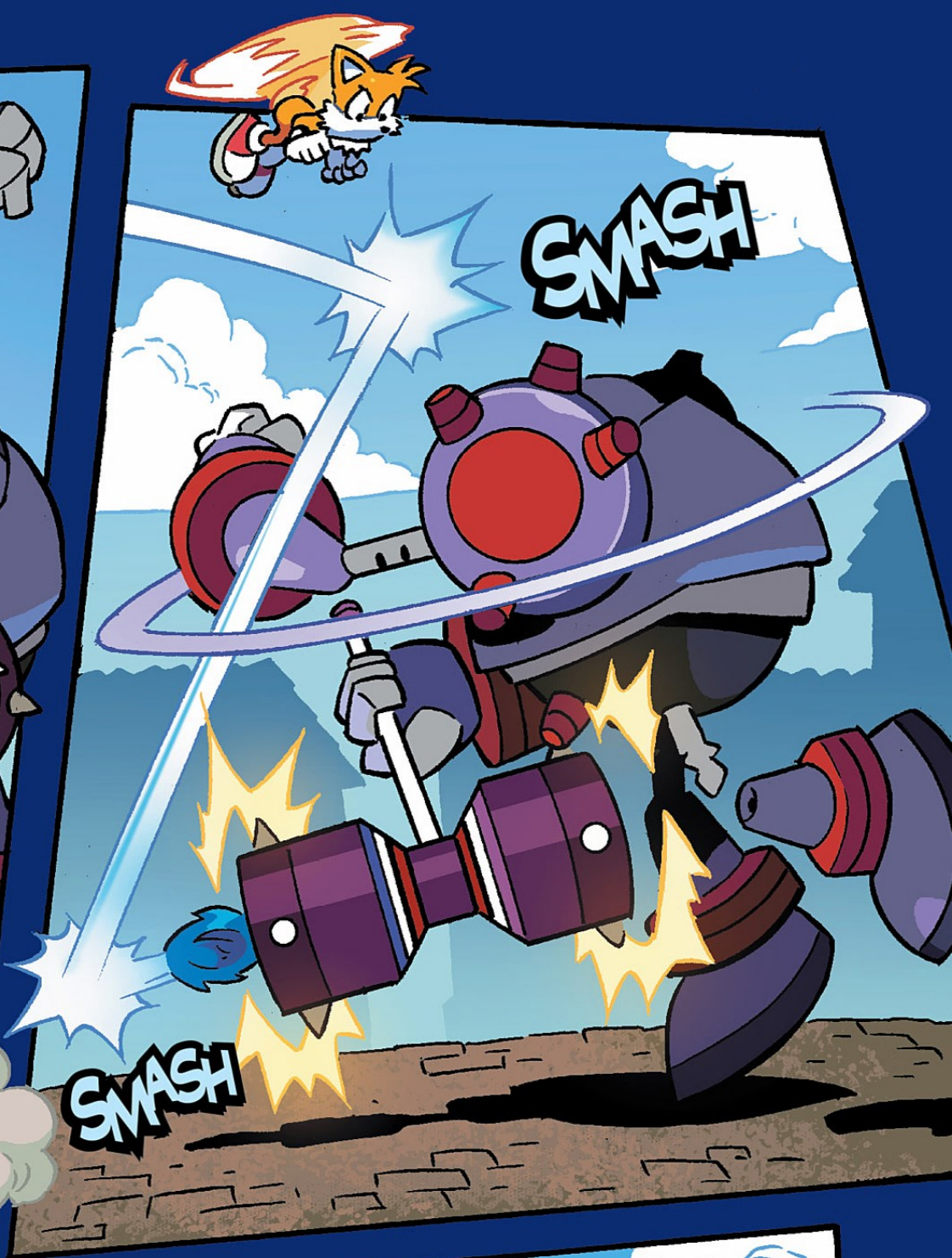




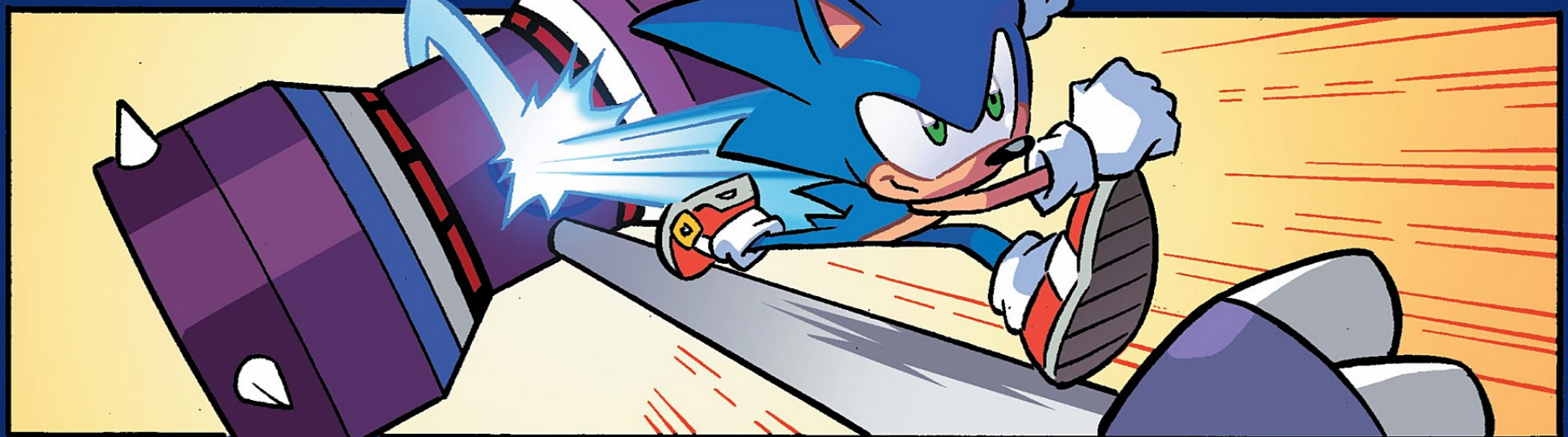
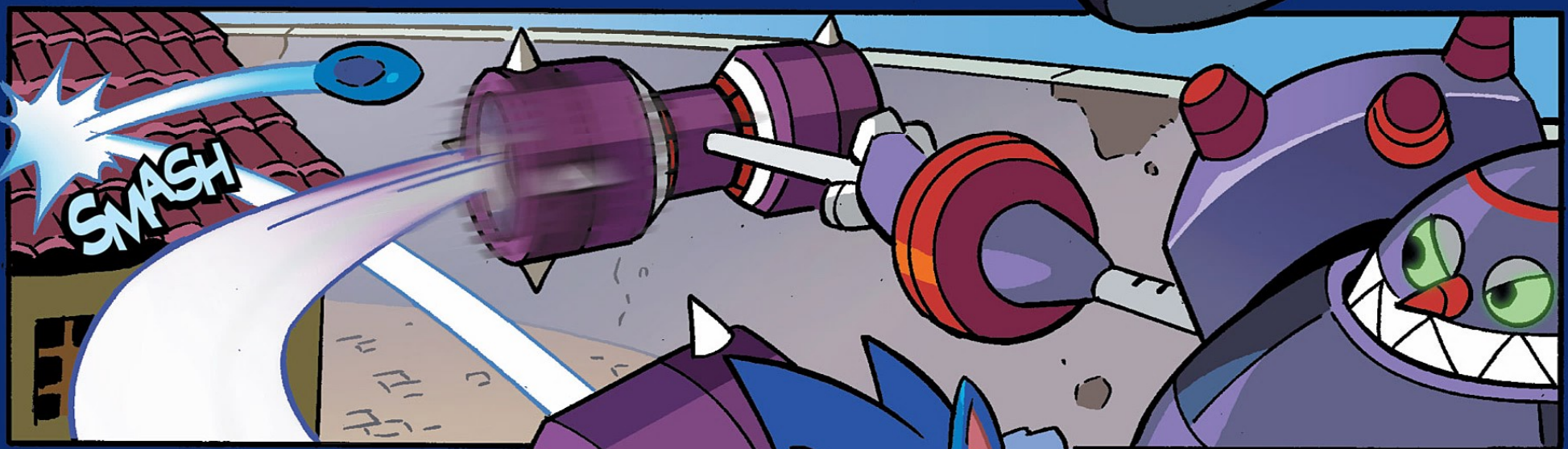
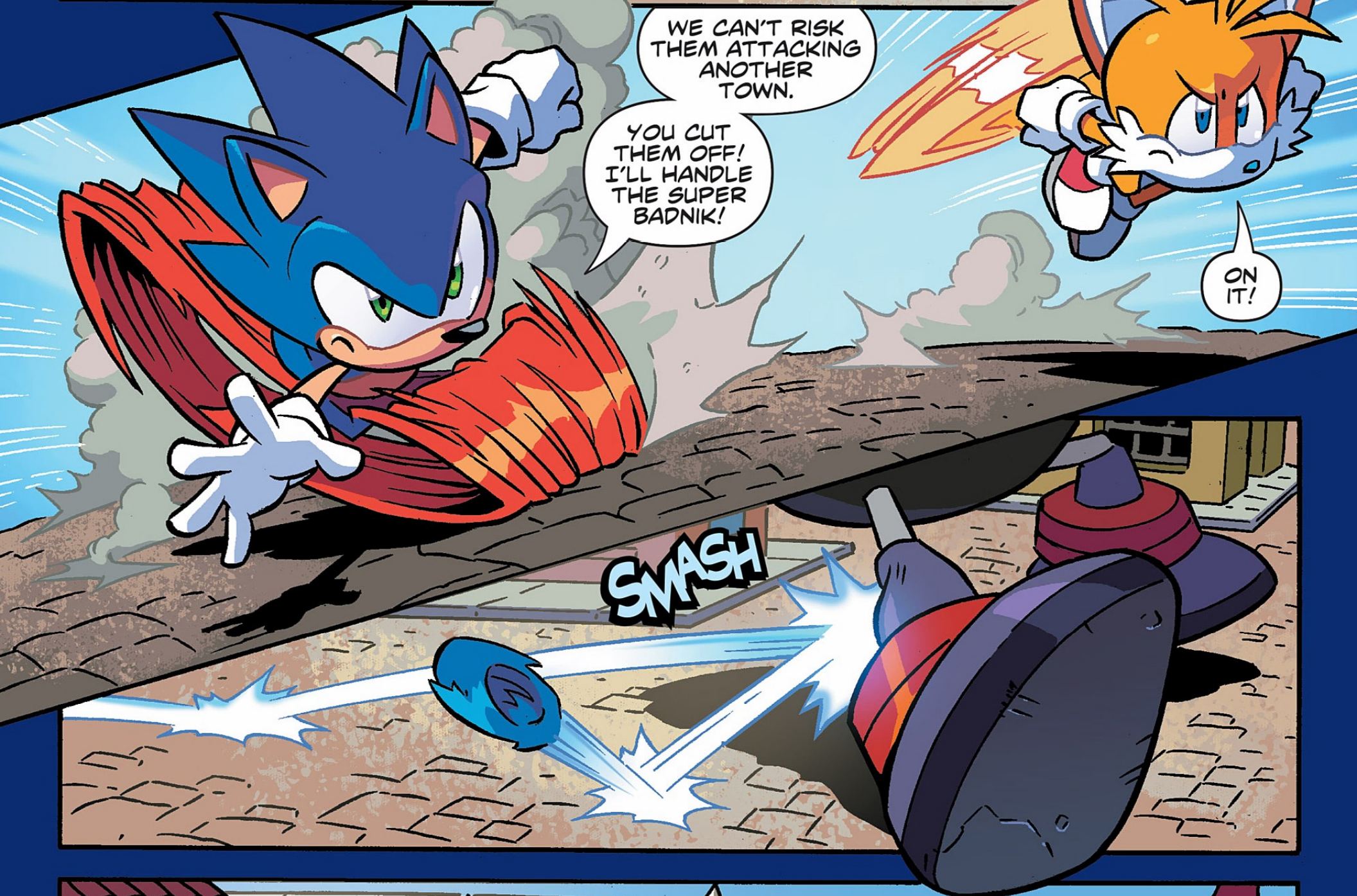
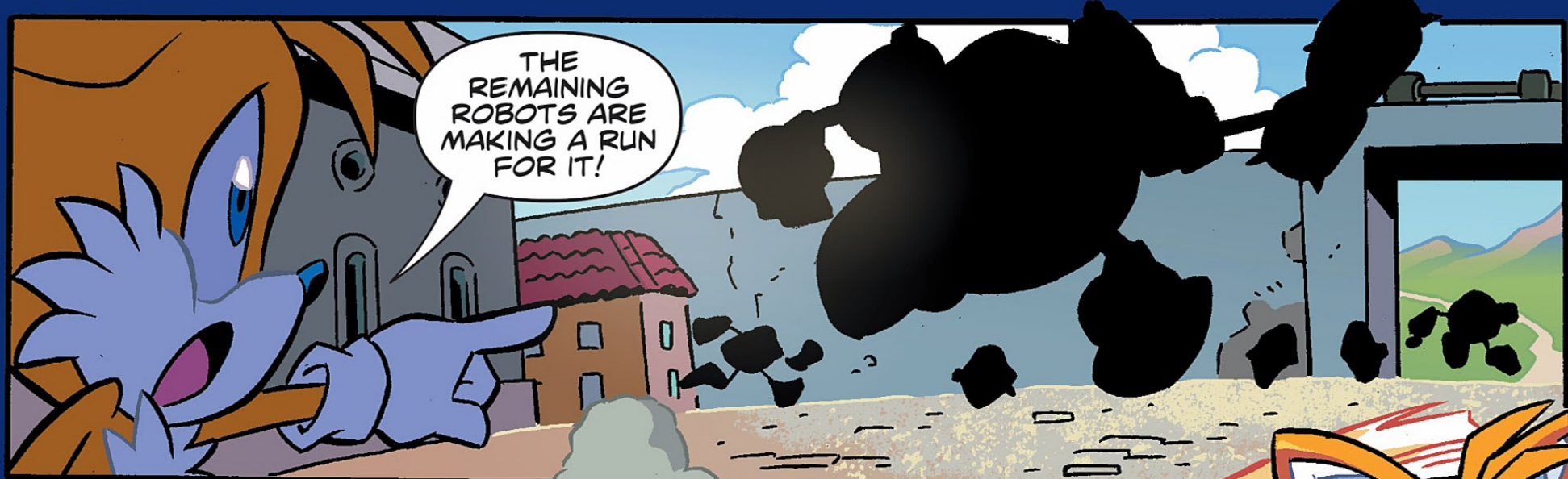




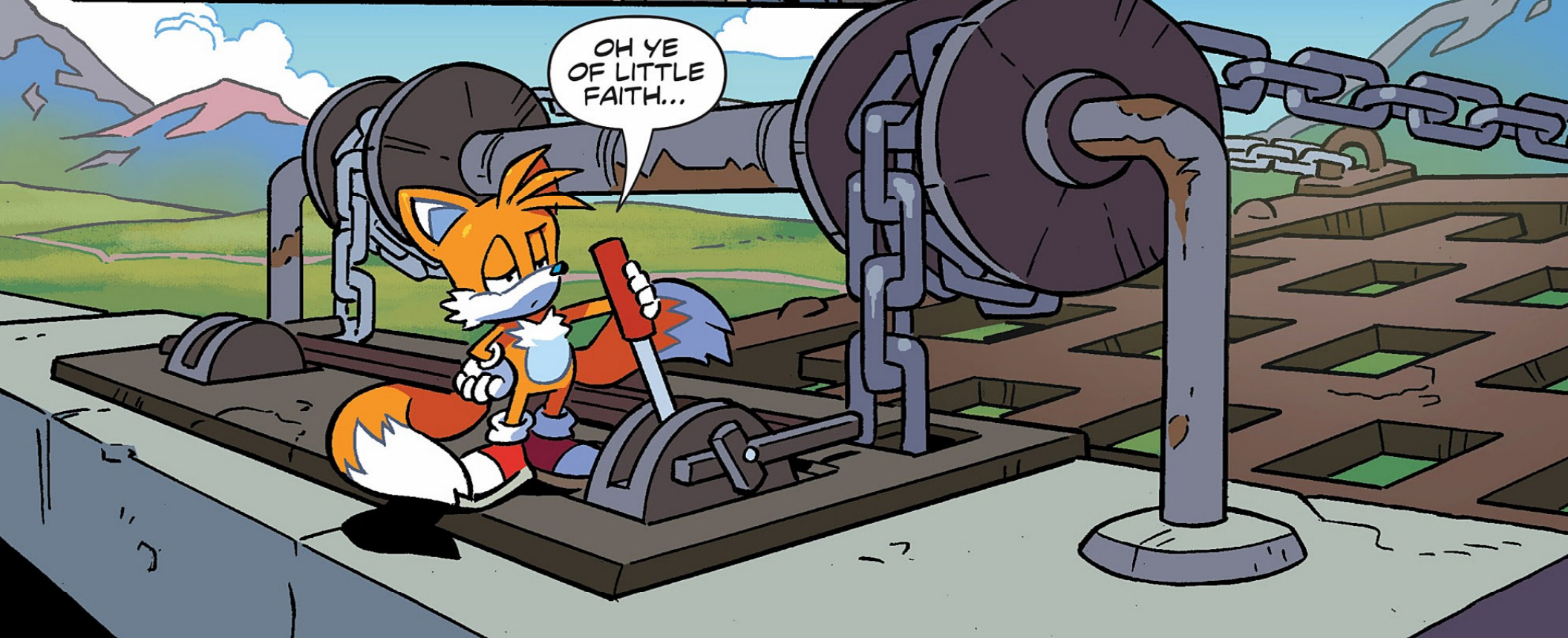
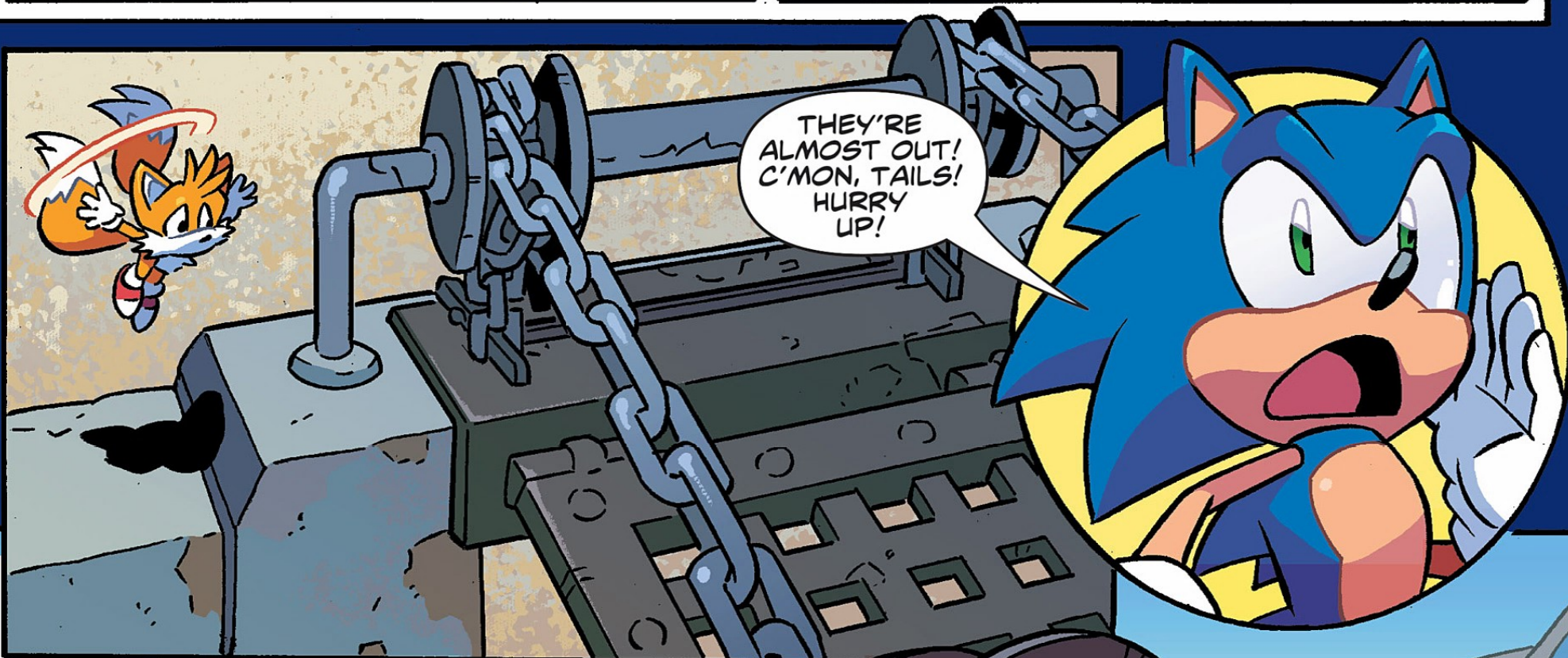
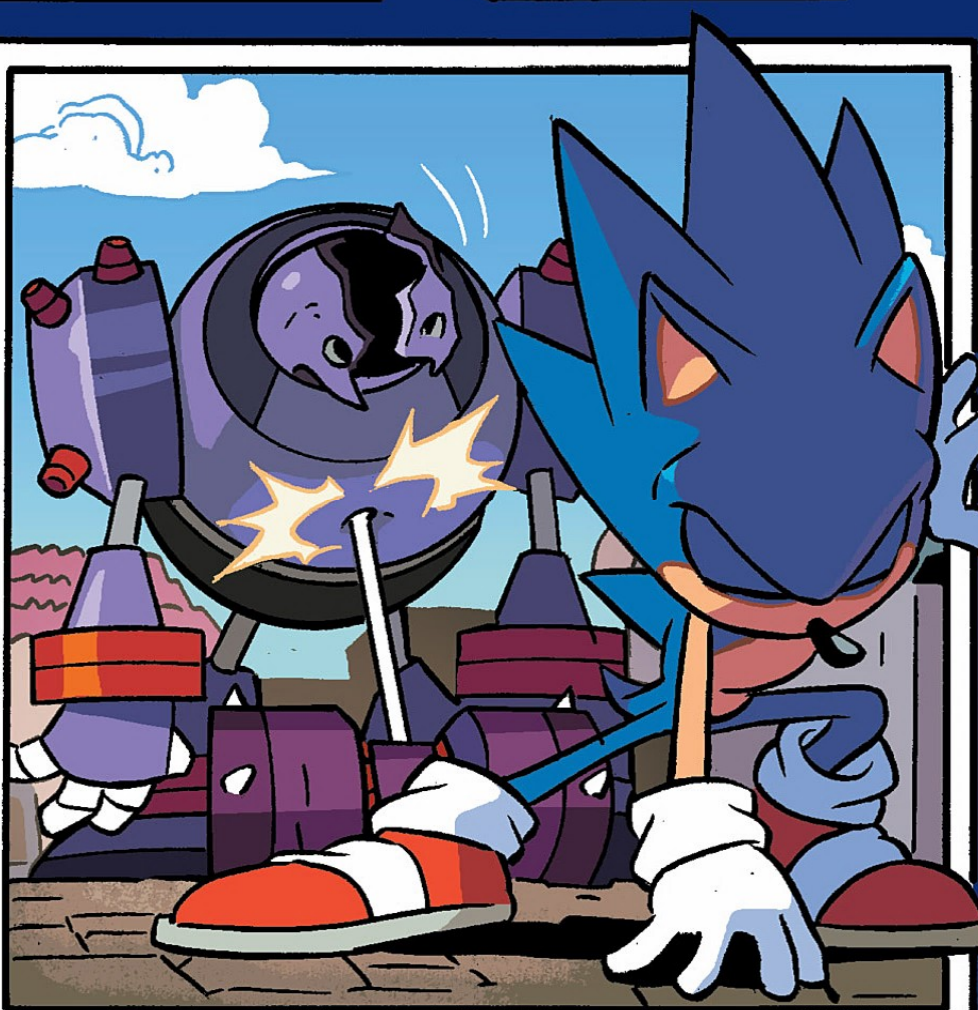
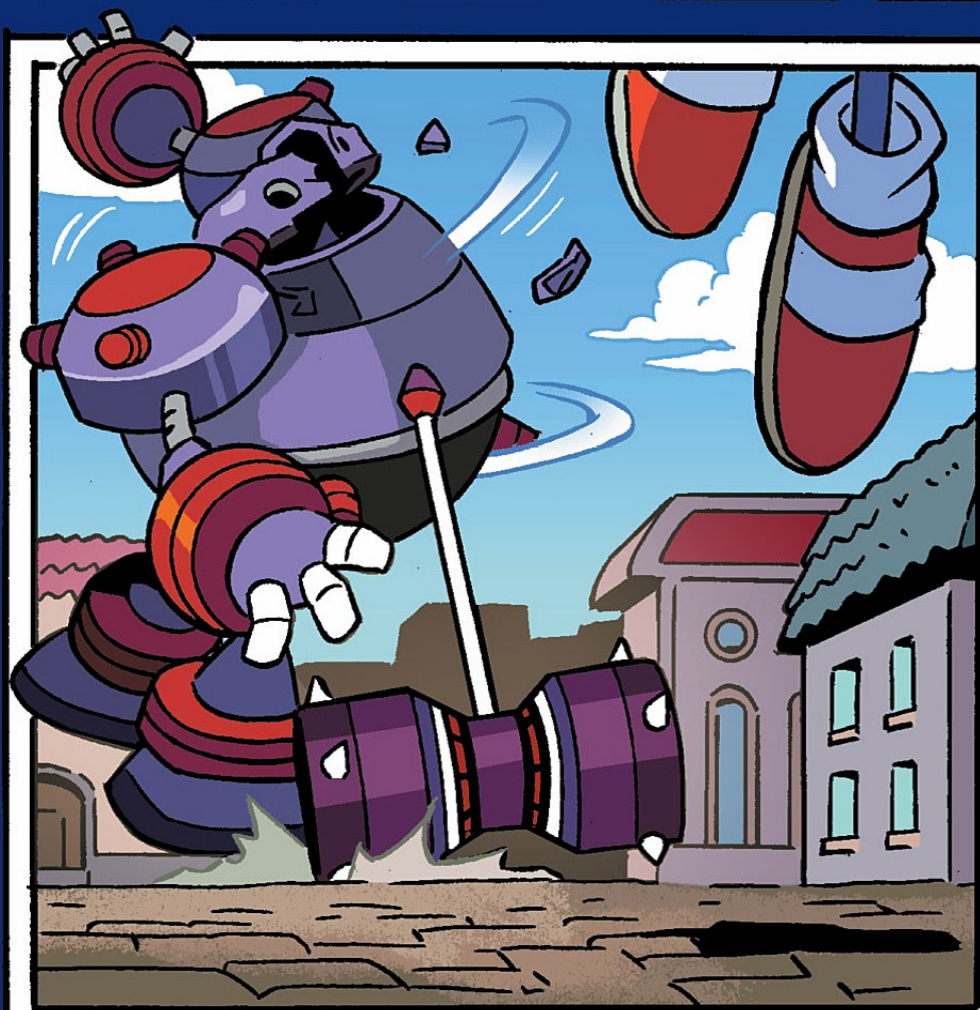




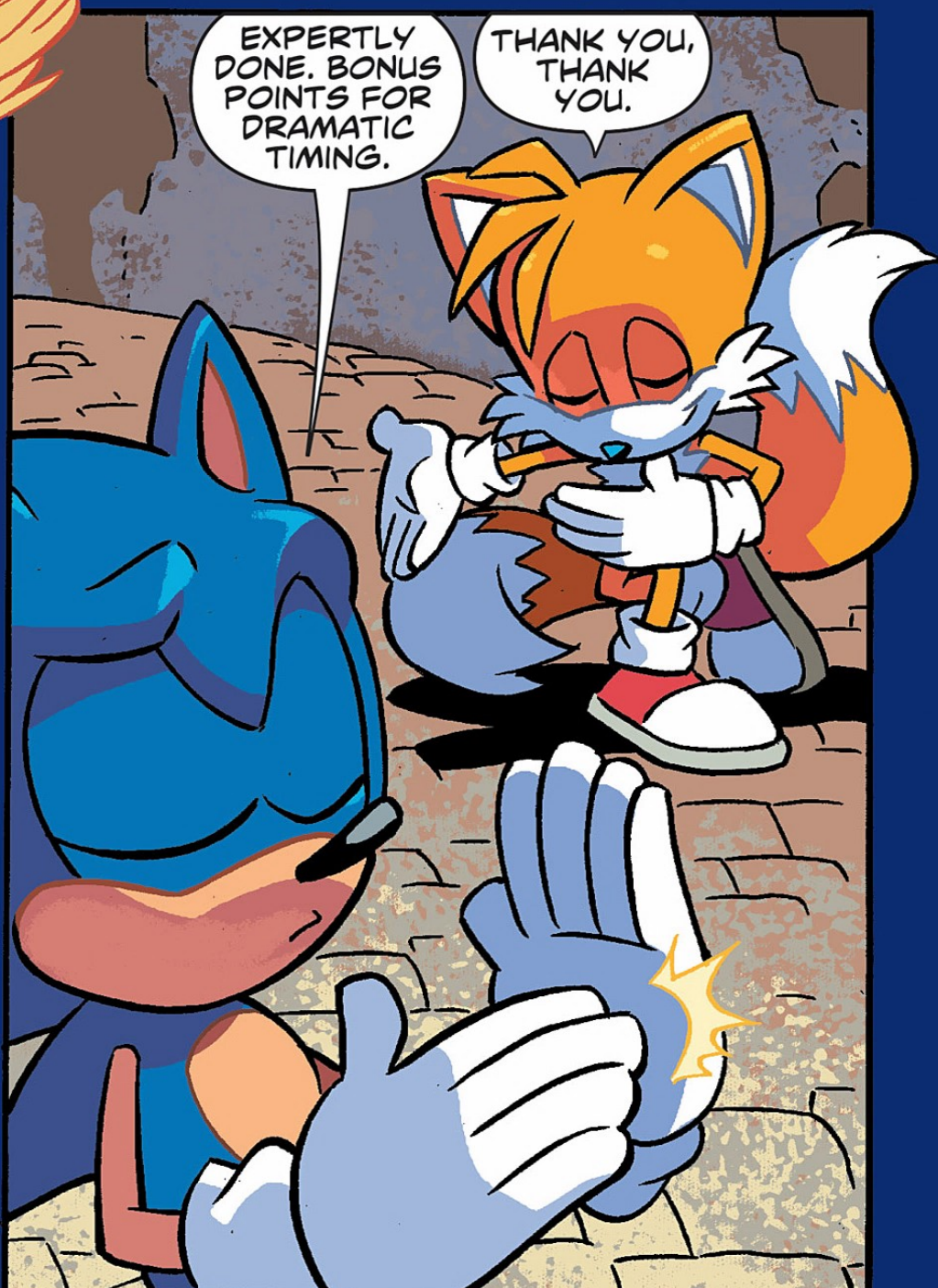
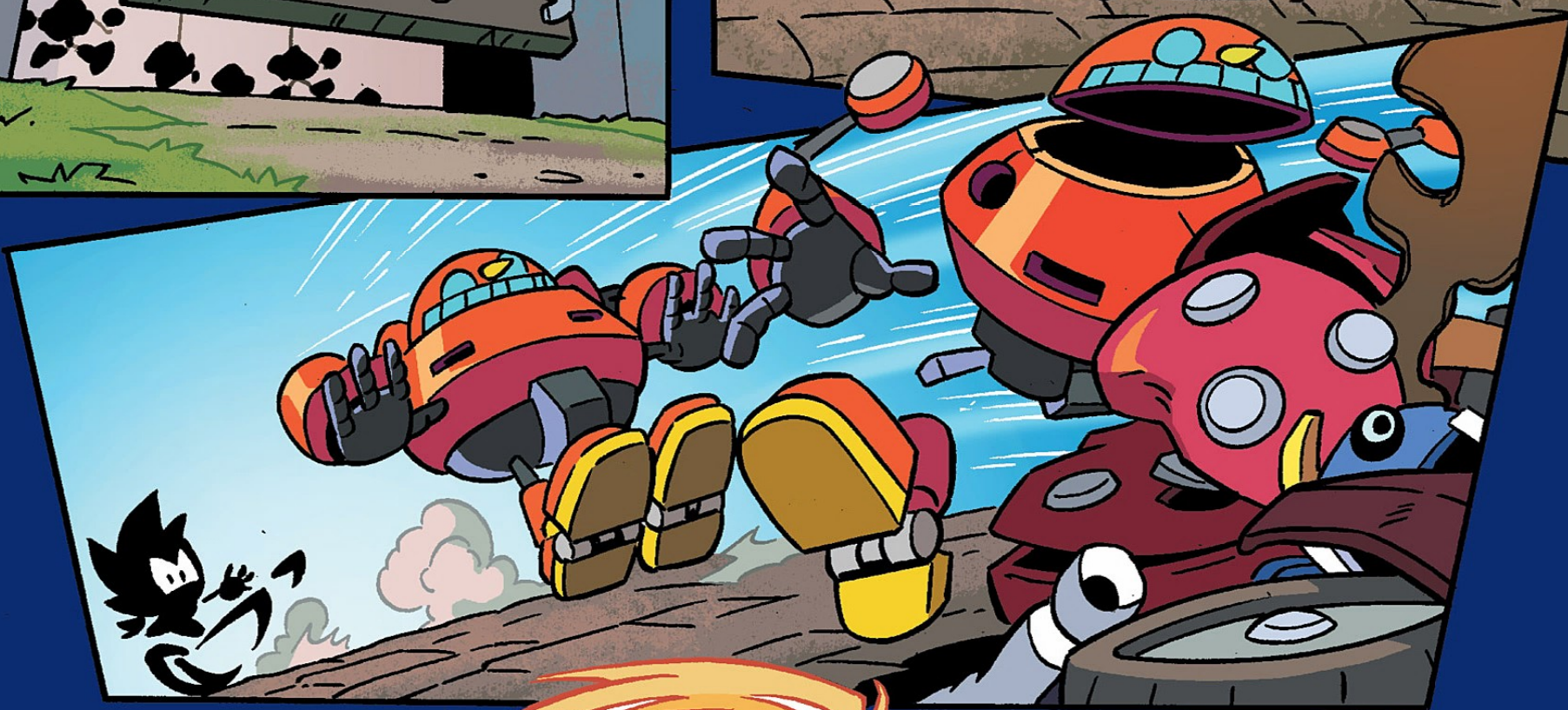
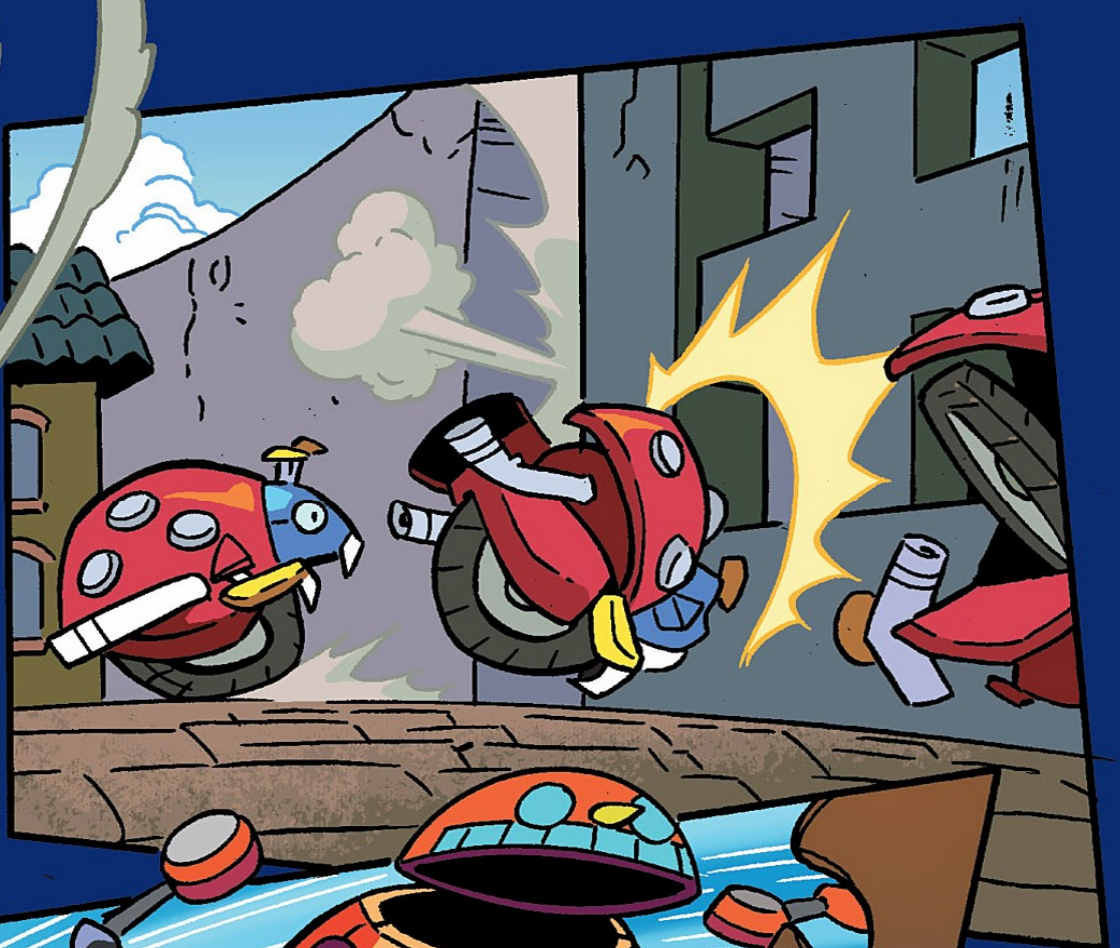
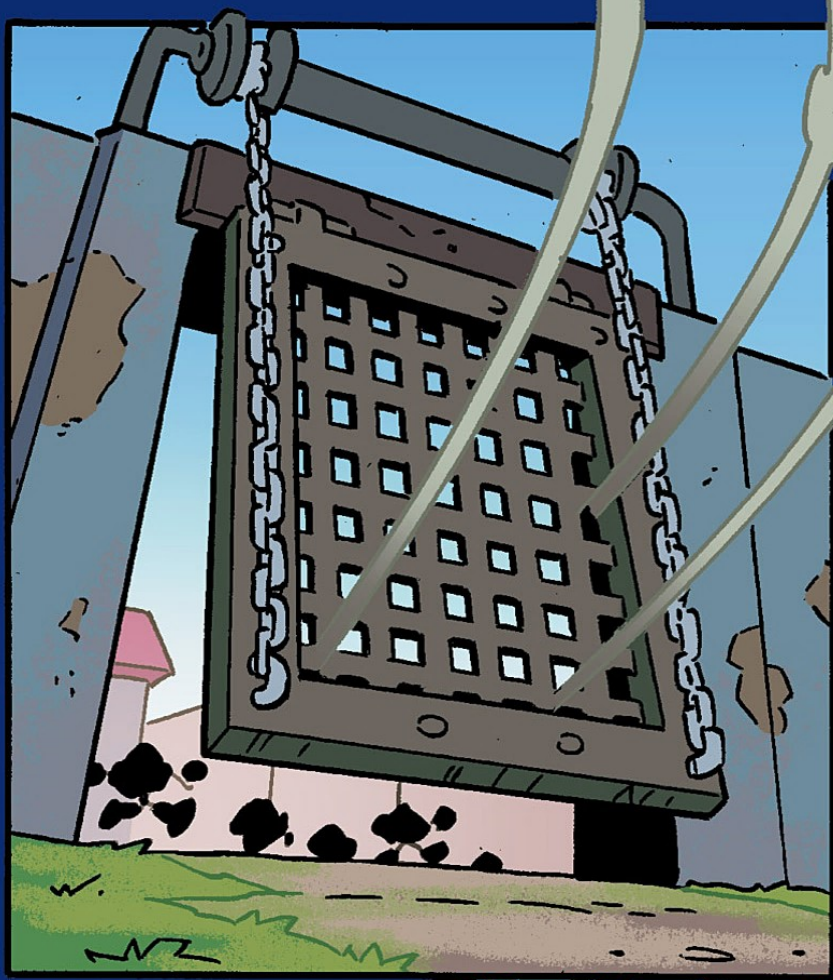








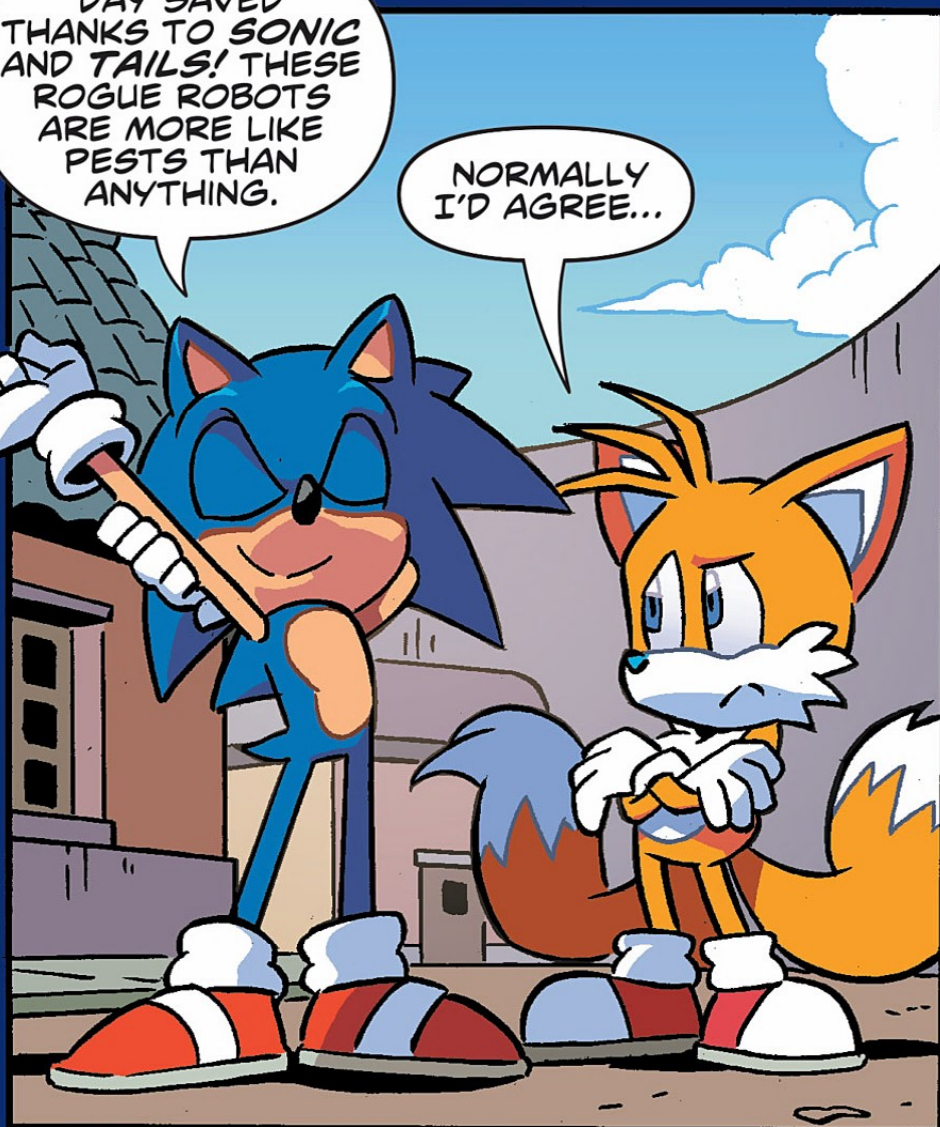






ANOTHER DAY SAVED THANKS TO SONIC AND TAILS! THESE ROGUE ROBOTS ARE MORE LIKE PESTS THAN ANYTHING.

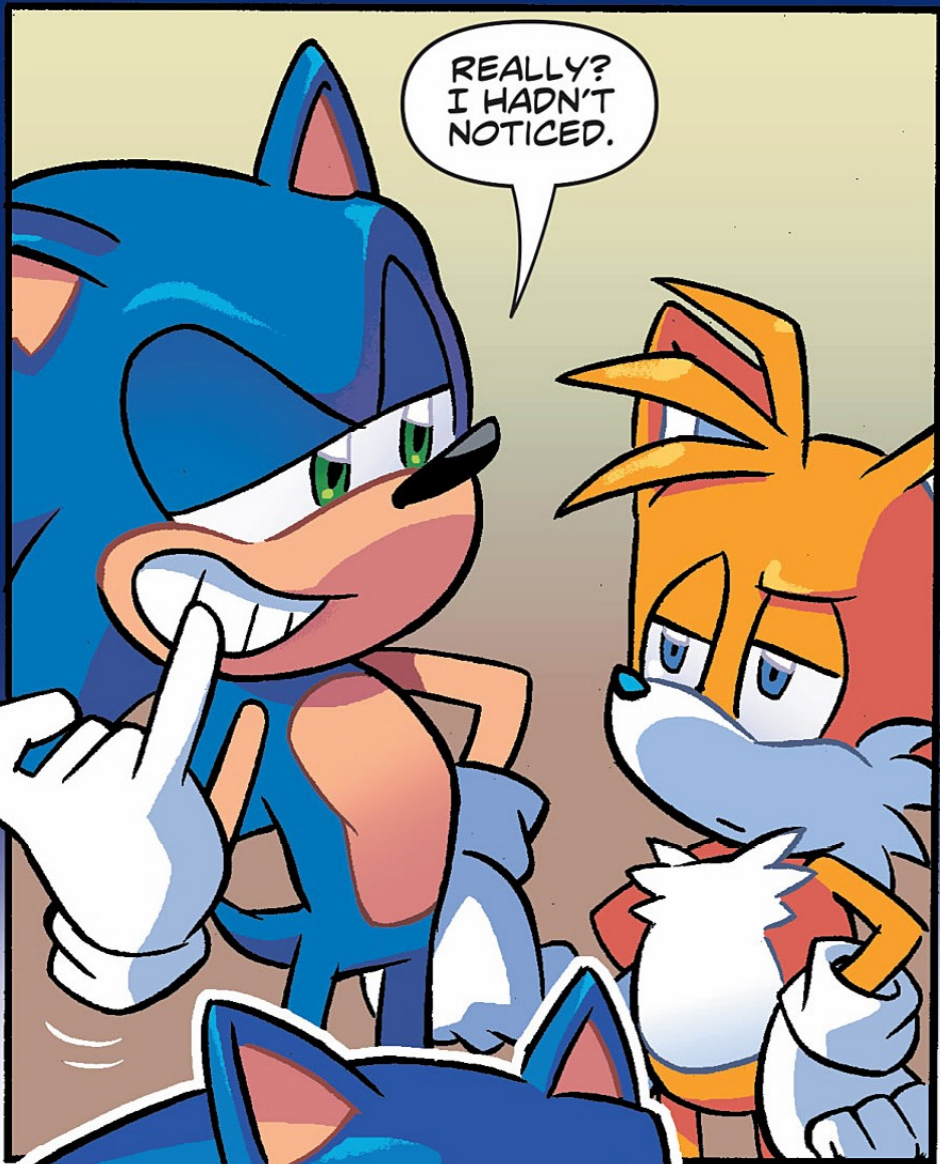
NORMALLY I'D AGREE...



...BUT THIS WAS A MUCH MORE COORDINATED ATTACK. AT LEAST COMPARED TO ANYTHING WE'VE SEEN LATELY.



REALLY? I HADN'T NOTICED.



OKAY— FINE—THE EGG HAMMERS WERE NEW TO THE MIX.

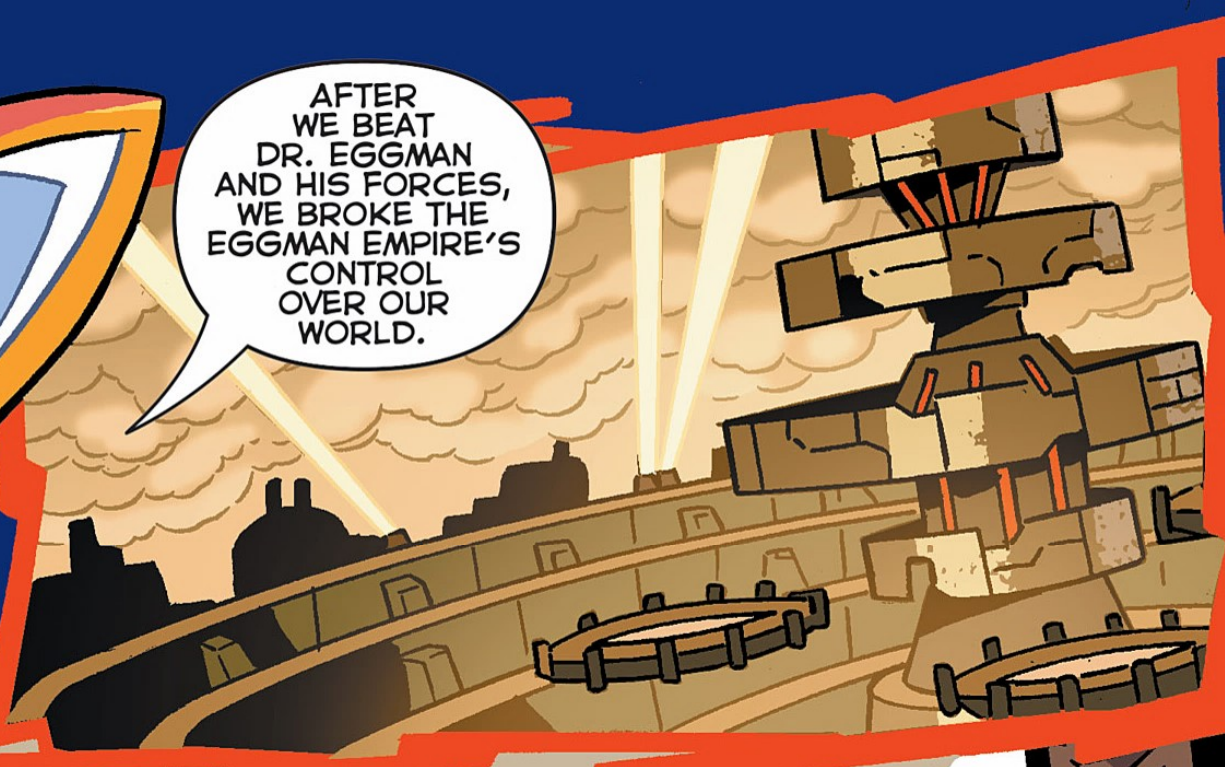
THAT'S NOT WHAT I MEAN.







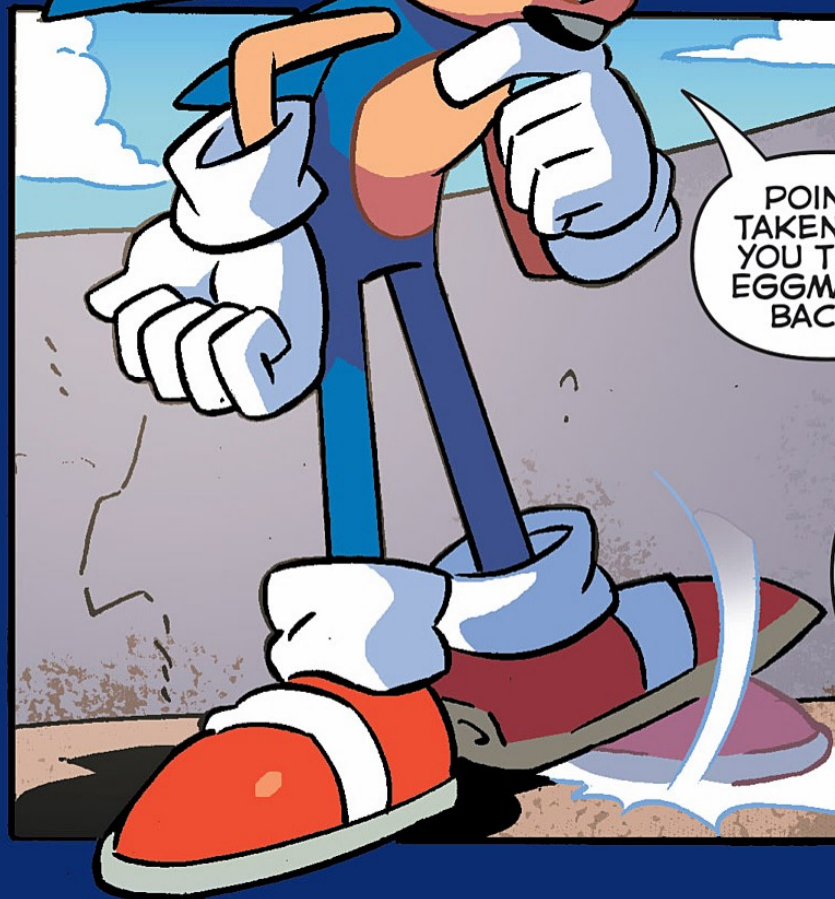
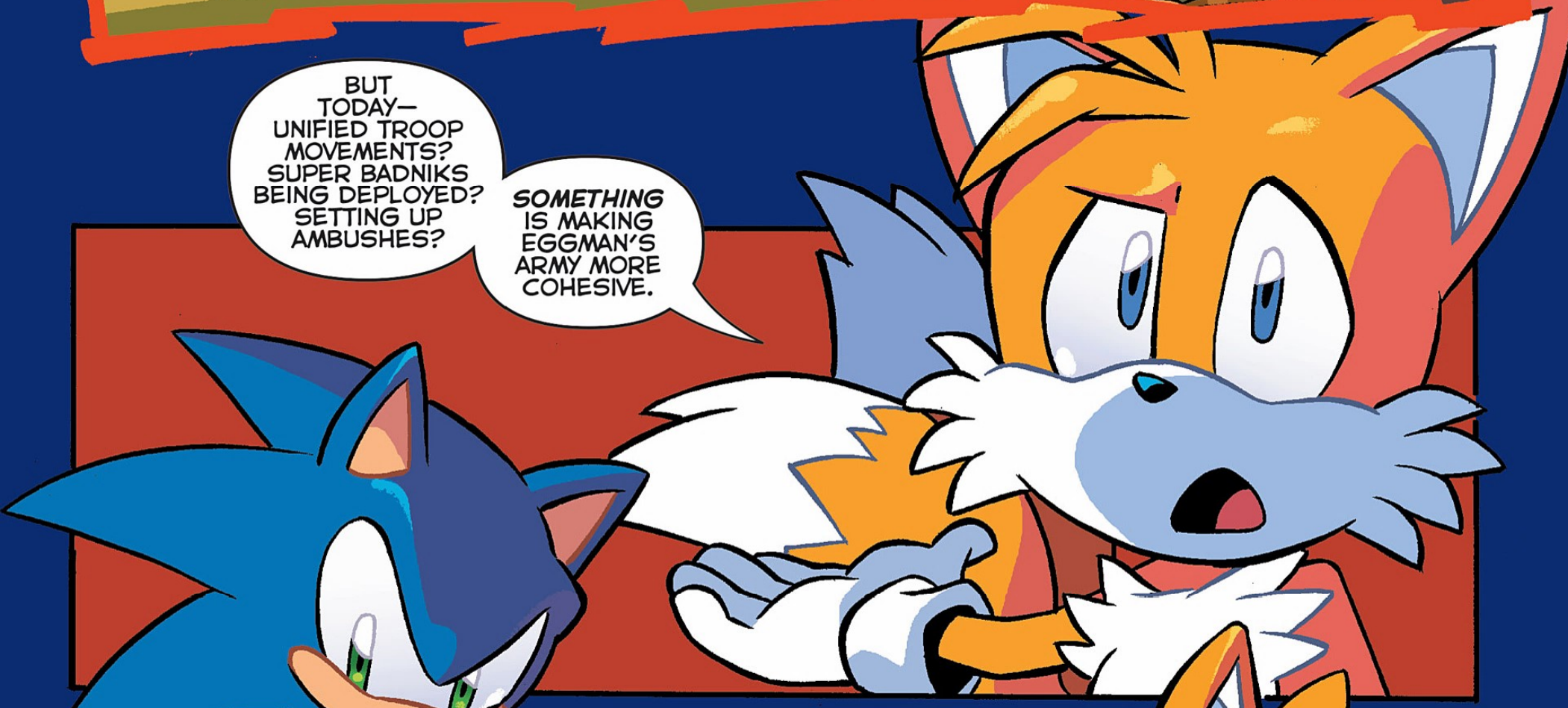
AFTER WE BEAT DR. EGGMAN AND HIS FORCES, WE BROKE THE EGGMAN EMPIRE'S CONTROL OVER OUR WORLD.



"THE BADNIK ARMY REMAINED, BUT NOT AS A UNIFIED THREAT. ANY ATTACKS SEEMED MORE LIKE ACCIDENTS THAN AGGRESSION."

BUT TODAY— UNIFIED TROOP MOVEMENTS? SUPER BADNIKS BEING DEPLOYED? SETTING UP AMBUSHES?

SOMETHING IS MAKING EGGMAN'S ARMY MORE COHESIVE.



POINTS TAKEN. DO YOU THINK EGGMAN IS BACK?

WITHOUT SO MUCH AS AN ANGRY VLOG? NO WAY. AFTER THAT LAST DEFEAT, HE'D MAKE SURE WE KNEW HE WAS BACK.

THE LACK OF FANFARE IS SPOOKY.





IN THAT CASE, I'LL JUST KEEP DOING WHAT I'VE BEEN DOING.

THOSE BADNIKS ARE A THREAT TO EVERYONE, ORGANIZED OR NOT. I'LL KEEP TRAVELING AROUND, SMASHING EVERY ONE I SEE.



YEAH, BUT IF THEY ARE GETTING ORDERS FROM SOMEONE...

THEN IT'LL MAKE IT MORE FUN!

J-JUST... BE CAREFUL, OKAY?



IF YOU GET CAUGHT OFF-GUARD AGAIN... GET HURT...

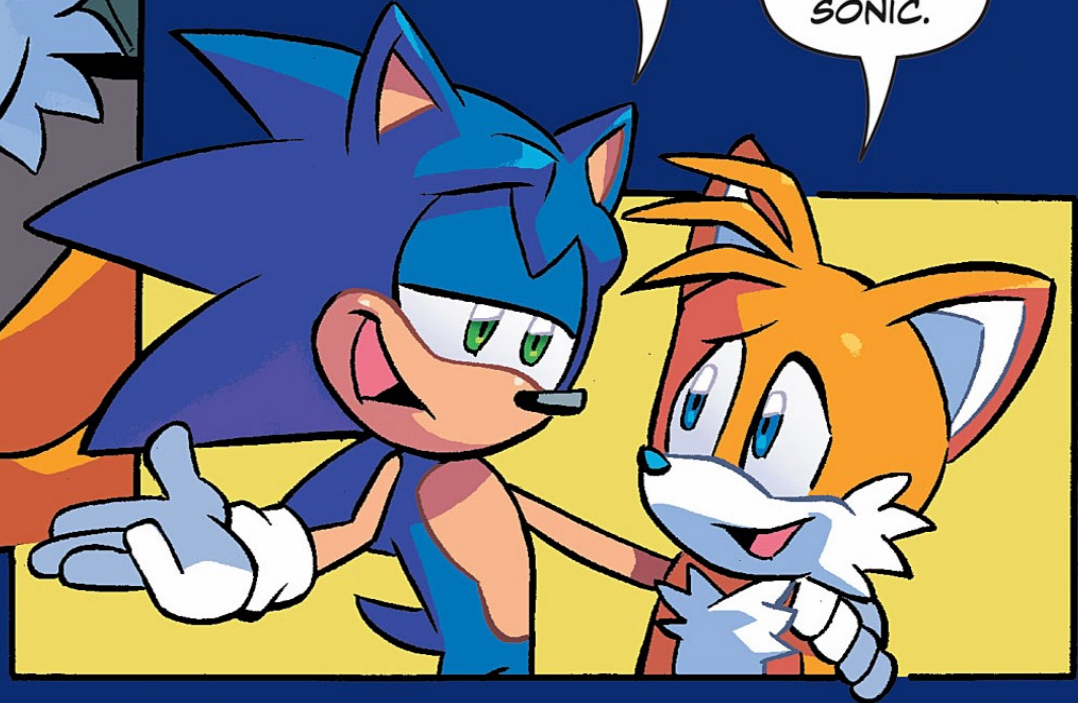


HEY. SURE, WE'VE HAD SOME CLOSE CALLS. BUT WE'VE COME OUT OF IT FINE IN THE END, RIGHT?

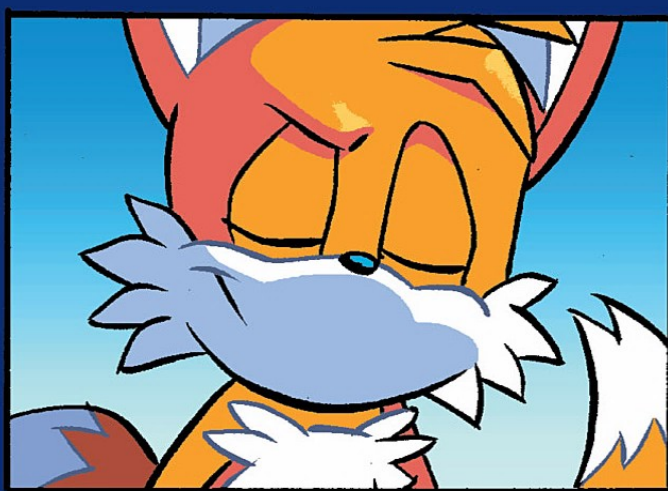
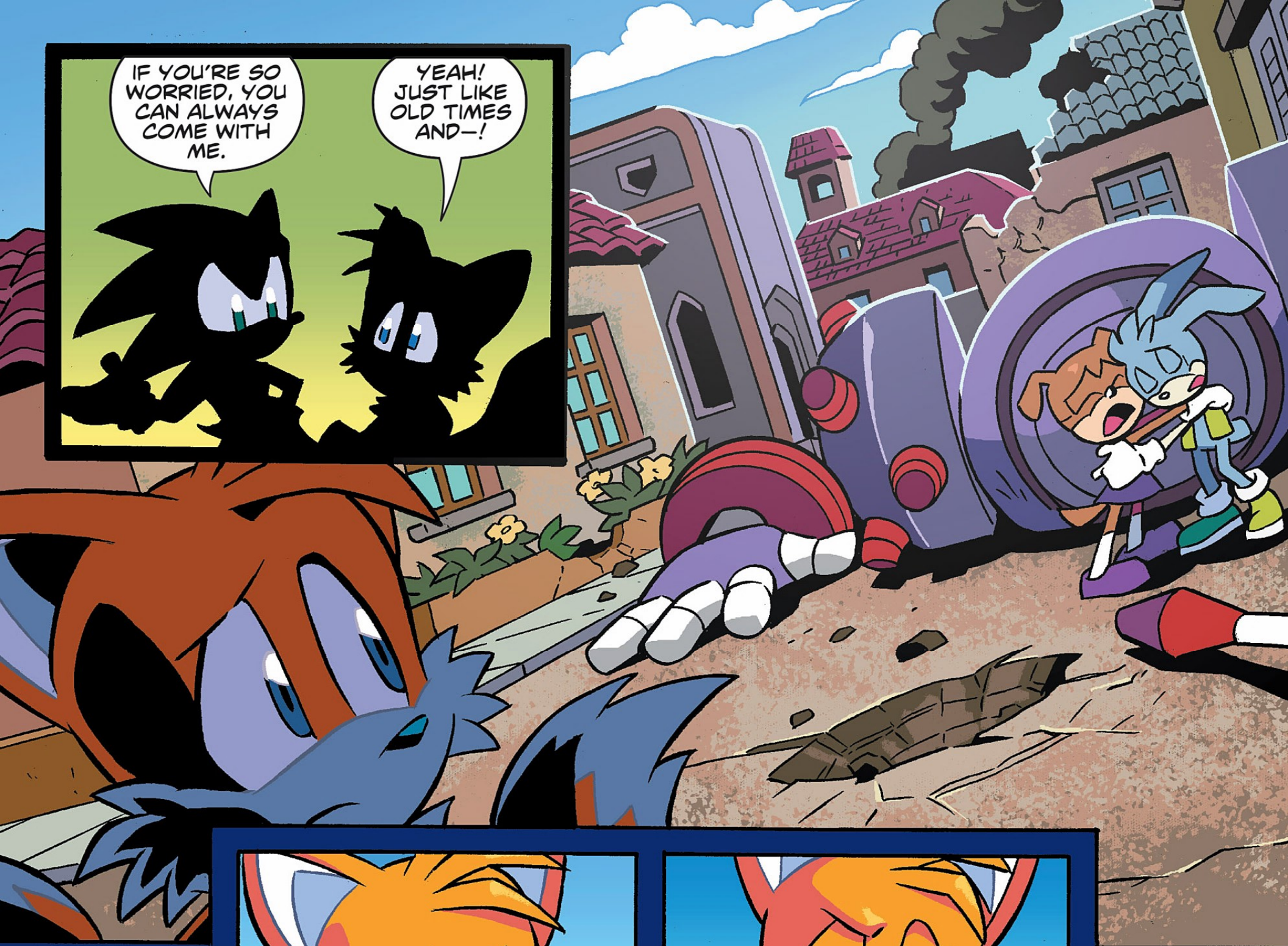
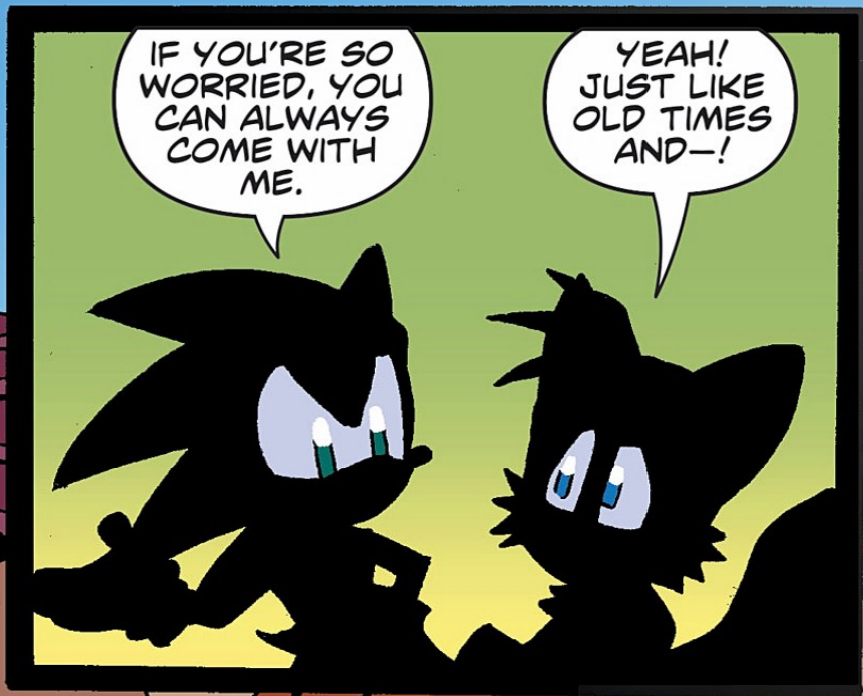
YEAH, I GUESS.

I'LL BE CAREFUL. I PROMISE.

...OKAY. THANKS SONIC.







THERE'S TOO MANY BADNIK GANGS OUT THERE. YOU'LL FIND THEM FASTER ON YOUR OWN.

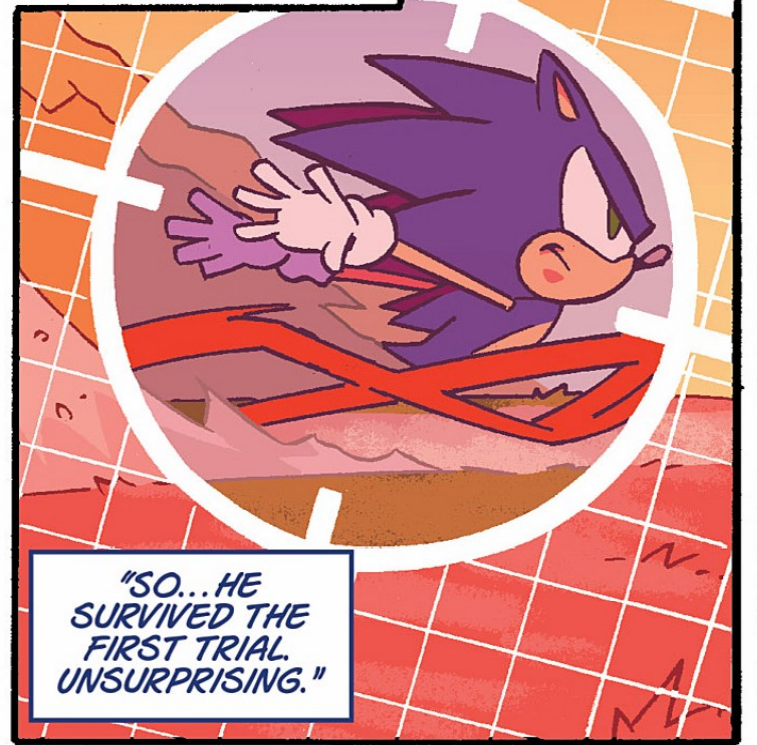
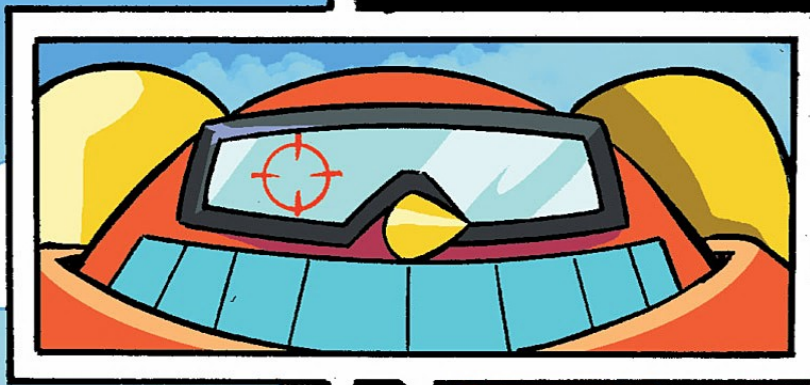
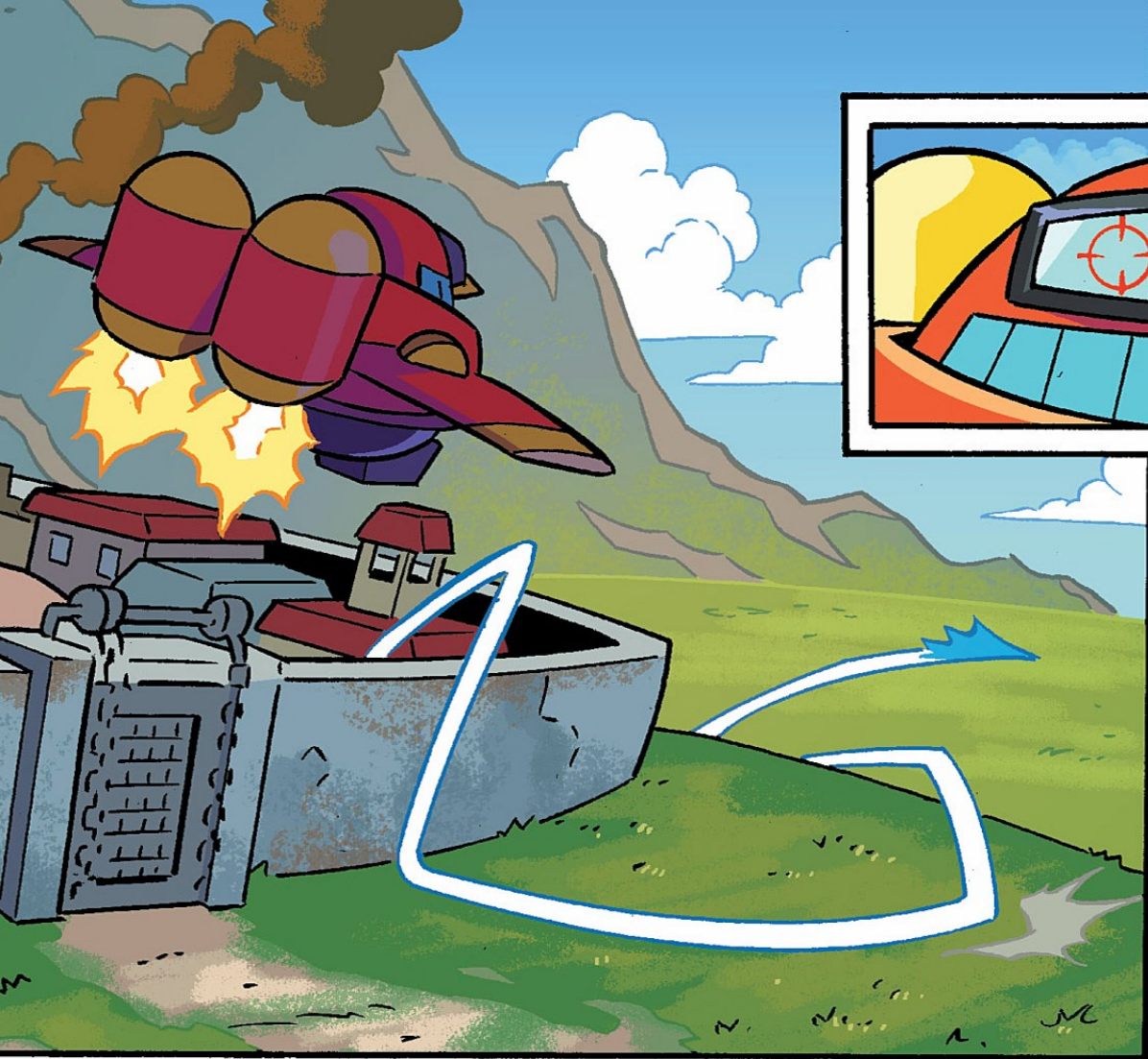
I'LL STAY HERE AND HELP THE LOCALS REBUILD THEIR TOWN.

YOU'RE A CLASS ACT, BUDDY. WE'LL BASH BOTS SOME OTHER TIME.

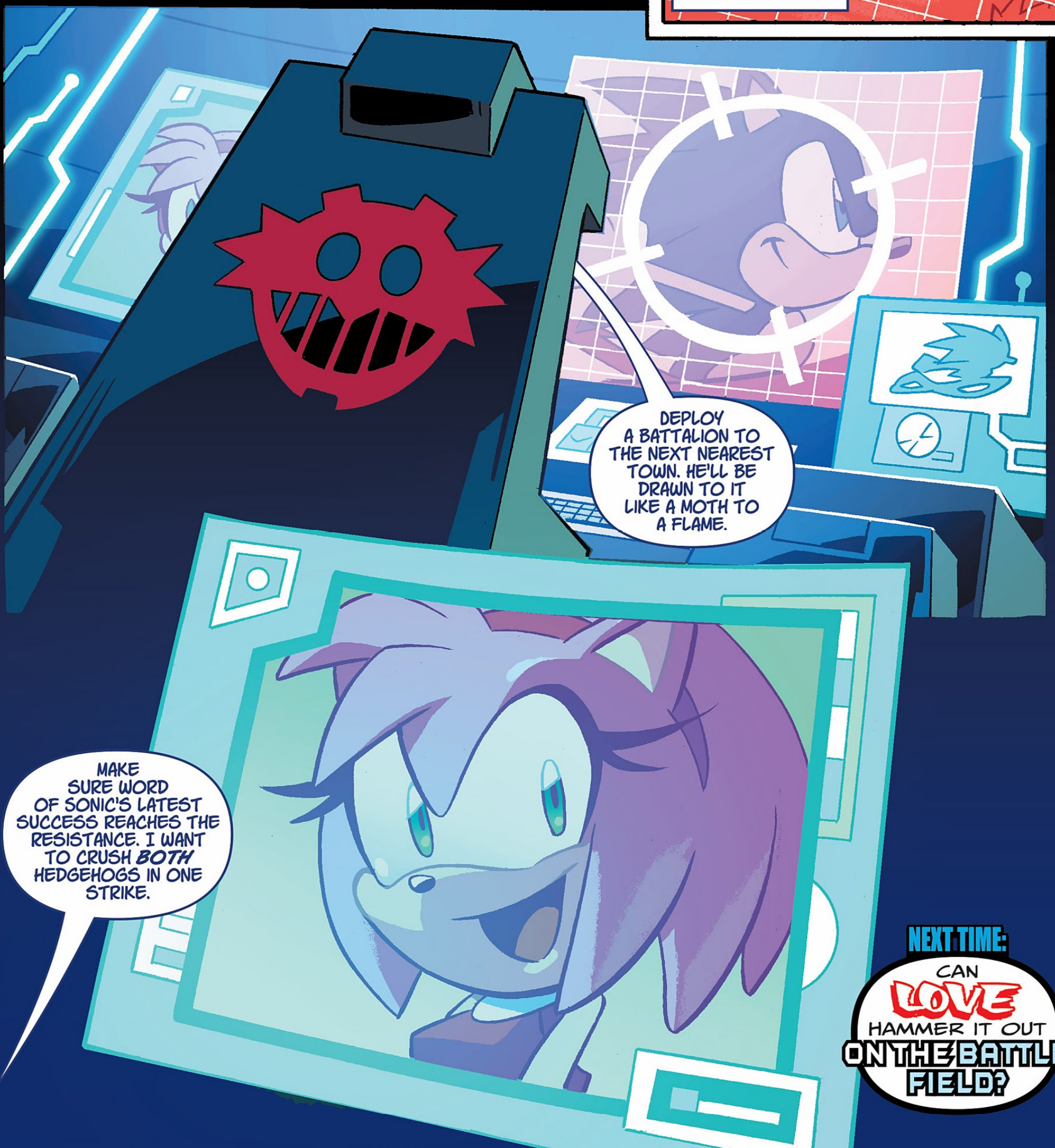
DEAL!







"SO...HE  
SURVIVED THE  
FIRST TRIAL.  
UNSURPRISING."



DEPLOY  
A BATTALION TO  
THE NEXT NEAREST  
TOWN. HE'LL BE  
DRAWN TO IT  
LIKE A MOTH TO  
A FLAME.

MAKE  
SURE WORD  
OF SONIC'S LATEST  
SUCCESS REACHES THE  
RESISTANCE. I WANT  
TO CRUSH **BOTH**  
HEDGEHOGS IN ONE  
STRIKE.

NEXT TIME:  
CAN  
**LOVE**  
HAMMER IT OUT  
ON THE BATTLE  
FIELD?





# SONIC LETTERS SQUAD

Hello to all the Sonic fans new and old and welcome to the first issue of *Sonic the Hedgehog*

from IDW Publishing! It's a monumental issue as your favorite blue blur and his best buddy Tails race into a new adventure... with the ever-capable and ever-lovable Ian Flynn, Tracy Yardley, Jim Amash, Bob Smith, Matt Herms, and Corey Breen bringing you our stellar first issue.

But enough talk! Let's get to what you came here for. We asked and you delivered, so here are some fan letters and the first batch of fan art!



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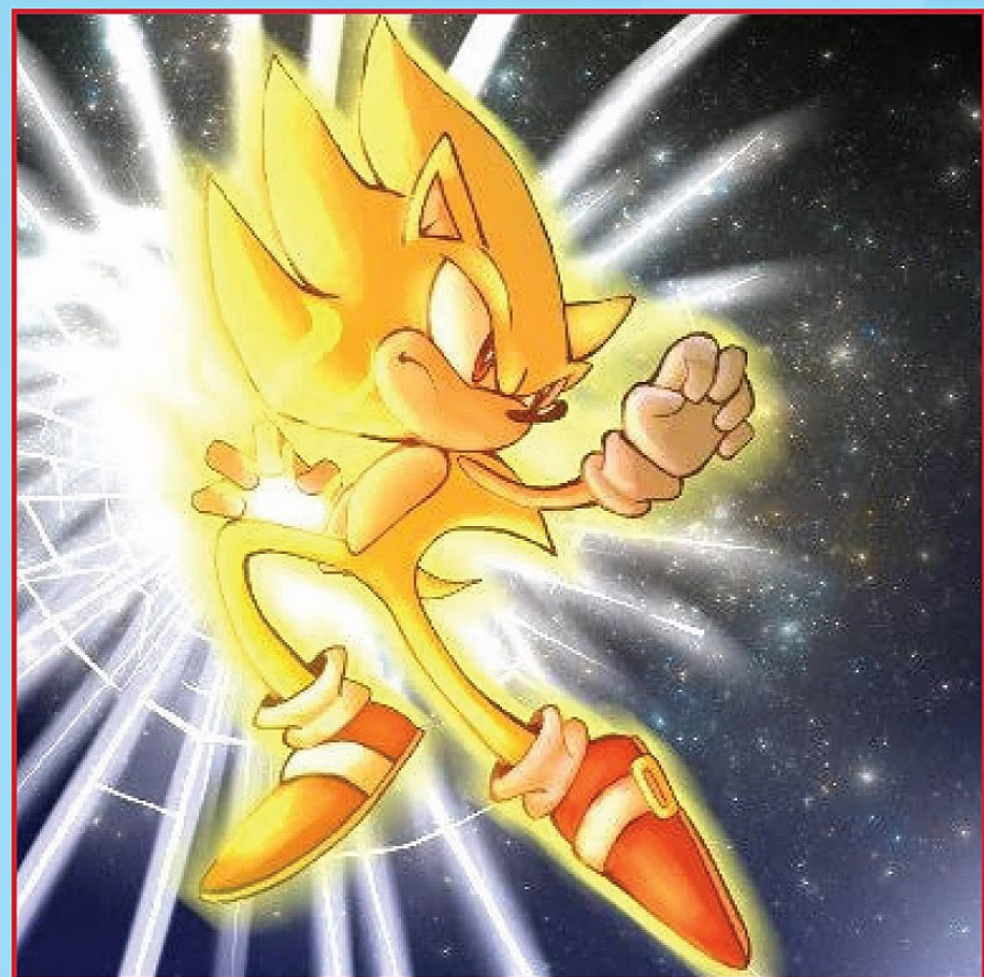
Looking forward to the new series. I've attached a piece of fan art I've done. Peace!

Billy Kurtz

This one's extra special as Billy's piece is the first one to arrive when the call went out on the IDW Sonic Comic Squad Facebook group!

Good evening, guys!

I'm Rena Rose, I'm a cosplayer from Argentina! I belong to Sonic Team Argentina, one of the most important Argentinian pages rewarding Sonic news and content. Cosplaying Sonic characters is super FUN! I hope to cosplay more characters! I learned to sew 5 years ago to make my own costumes and I've won many cosplay



My boyfriend and I have been huge fans of Sonic since we were young! We collaborate on artwork often and this is one of our proudest creations, and would love to see it in print. Can't wait to buy and read the comics!

Lourdes M.



competitions in Argentina. My favorite character to cosplay is Amy Rose. She's so cool! <3 I submitted photos for publication. I'm looking forward to reading the new Sonic comics! Thank you for your time.

Best Wishes,  
Rena Rose

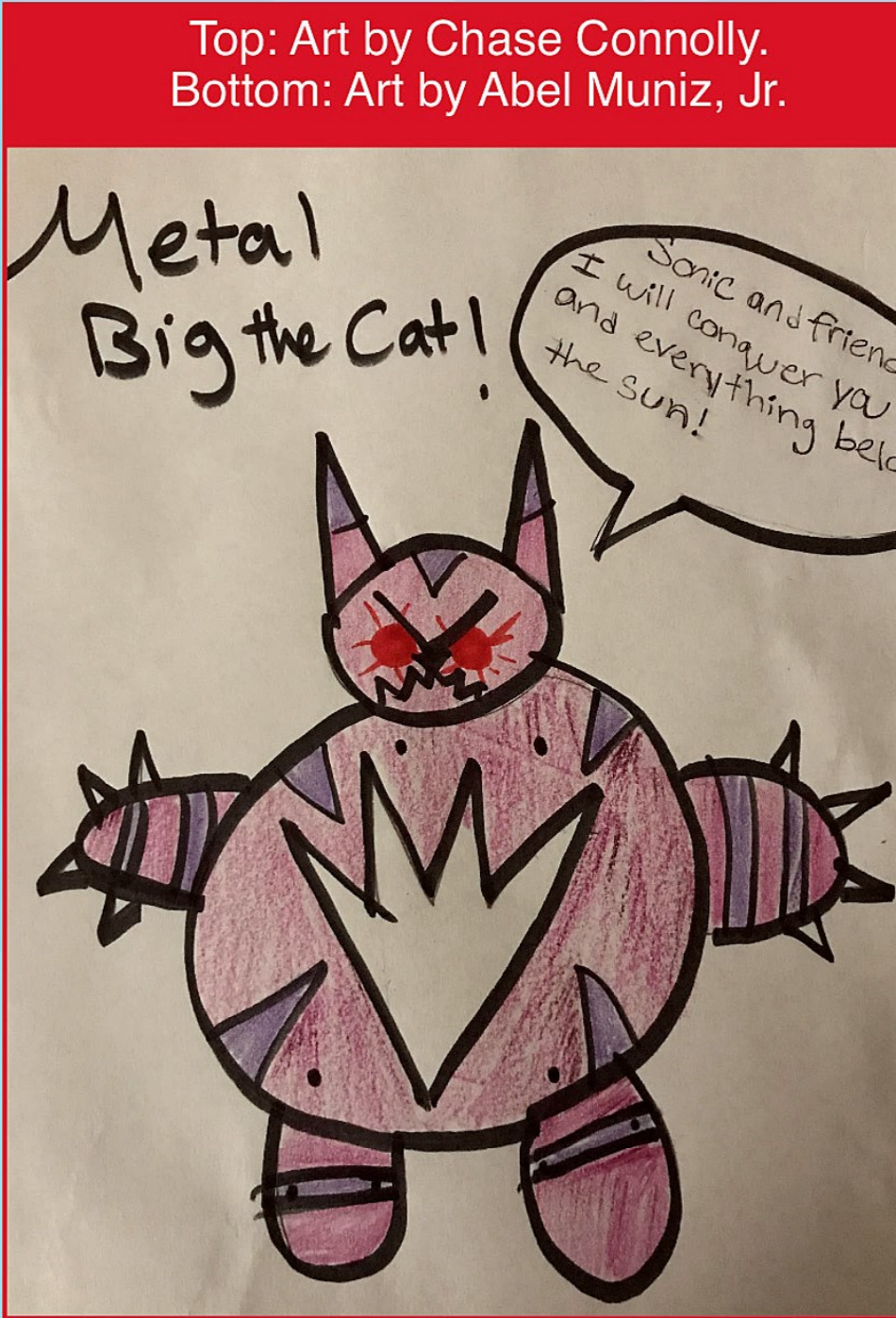


And Rena was the first cosplayer to send in some pictures!

If you'd like your fanart, cosplay pictures, or letters to show up in this very space, send them to [letters@idwpublishing.com](mailto:letters@idwpublishing.com), include your name, and mark them "OKAY TO PRINT!" Also, don't forget to join the IDW Sonic Comics Squad Facebook Group to see even more amazing art and keep up-to-date with

all the latest info on your favorite comic! We'll see you back here with more letters and more fan art... NEXT WEEK?!? WHAT?!?

-Joe Hughes and David Mariot





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ARE  
WE *THERE*  
YET? ARE  
WE *THERE*  
YET?!

GO  
*FASTER*,  
MR. FLYNN!

CAN I  
*STEER*? I  
WANNA *STEER*!  
WHY WON'T  
YOU LET ME  
*STEER*?

WHERE'S THE  
BATHROOM?

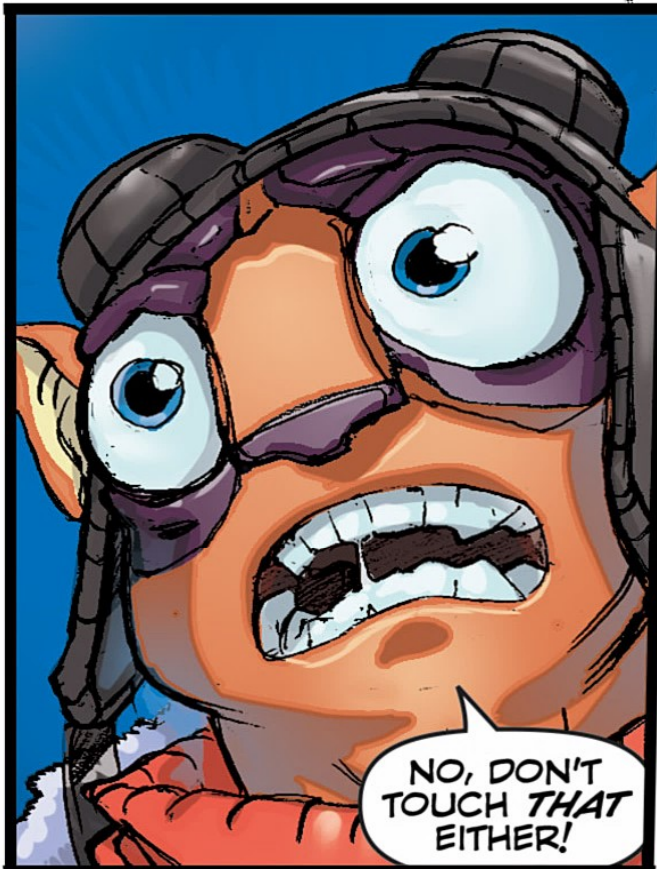
HOW DID I  
*EVER* GET ROPED  
INTO FERRYING THE  
FRESHMAN CLASS  
TO SKYLANDER  
ACADEMY?

YOU  
*VOLUNTEERED*,  
MR. FLYNN!

# FORGETTING FLYNN

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YOU KNOW WHAT? THAT'S A **GREAT** IDEA.

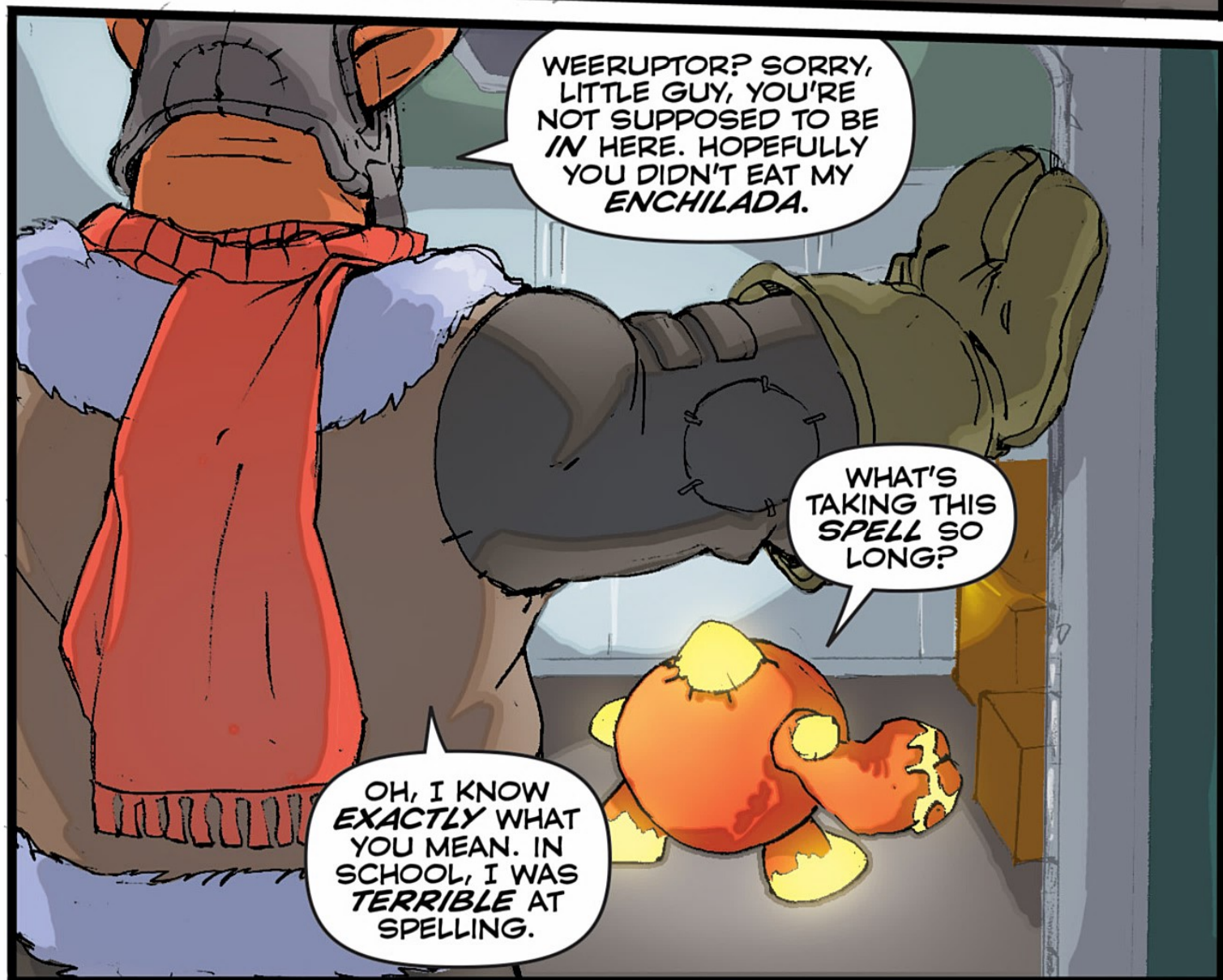
YOU GUYS **STEER**, JUST KEEP US POINTED **STRAIGHT** FOR A FEW MINUTES.



I'LL NIP DOWN TO THE DREADYACHT'S **GALLEY** AND GET A LITTLE **SNACKEROO**.

I'M THINKING... **ENCHILADA**.

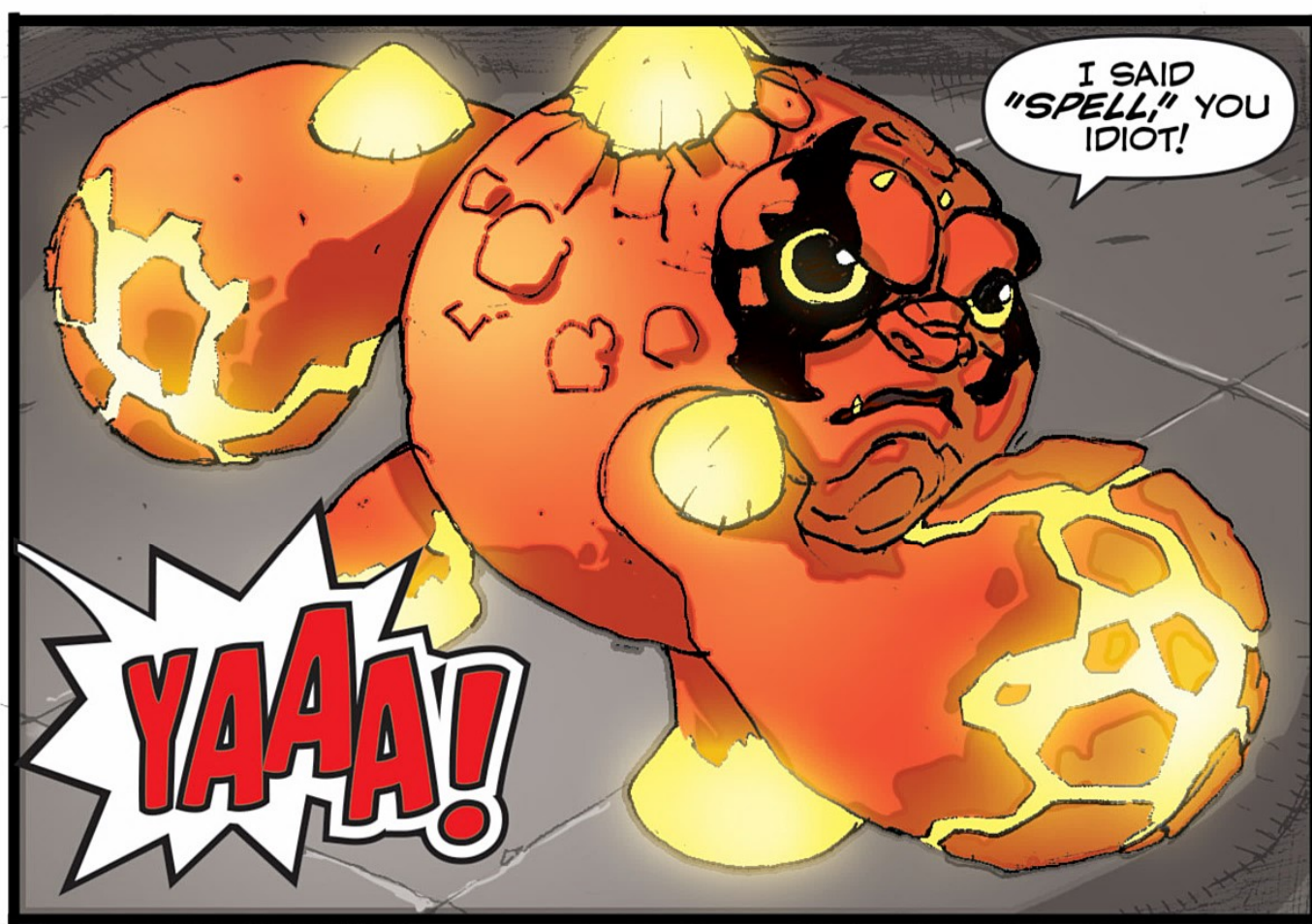
A **LOT** OF **ENCHILADA**.



WEERUPTOR? SORRY, LITTLE GUY, YOU'RE NOT SUPPOSED TO BE **IN** HERE. HOPEFULLY YOU DIDN'T EAT MY **ENCHILADA**.

WHAT'S TAKING THIS **SPELL** SO LONG?

OH, I KNOW **EXACTLY** WHAT YOU MEAN. IN SCHOOL, I WAS **TERRIBLE** AT SPELLING.



I SAID **"SPELL"** YOU IDIOT!

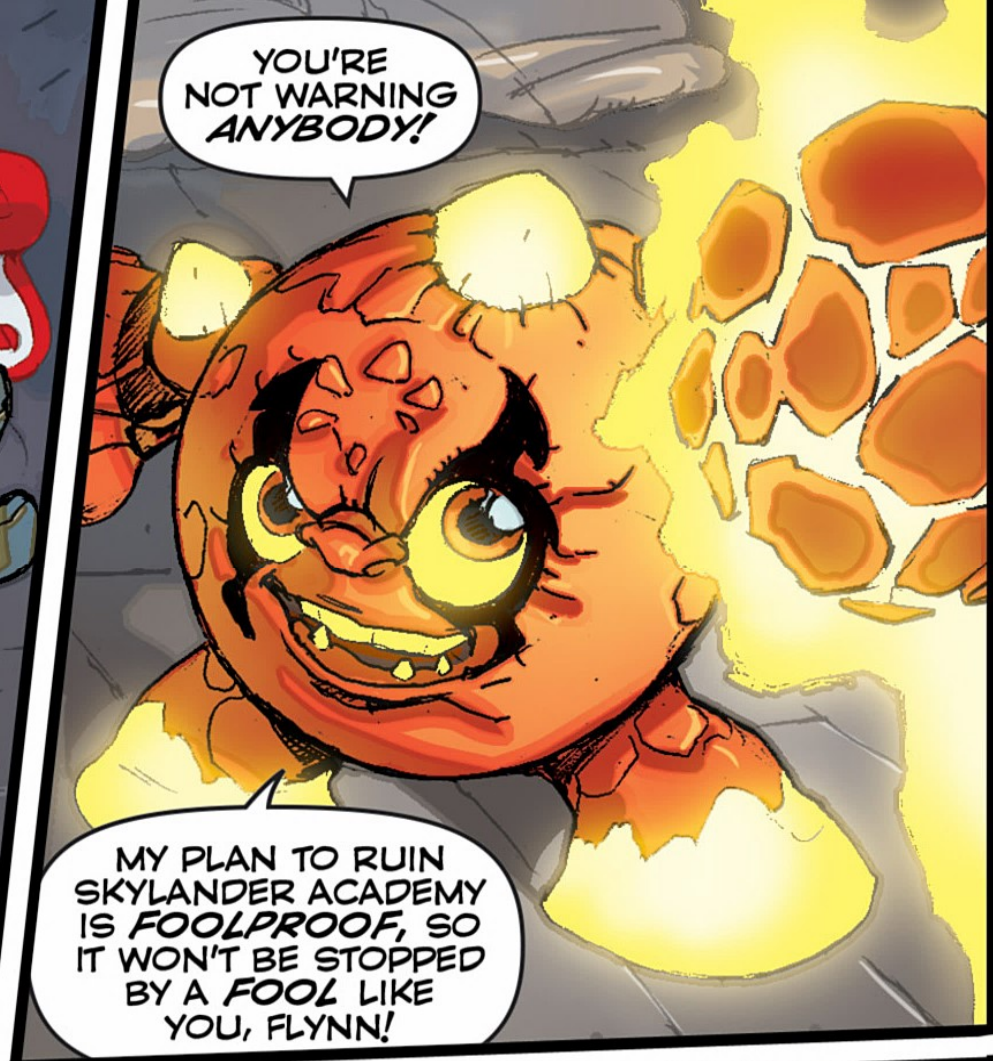
**YAAA!**



WHAT'S UP WITH YOUR **FACE**? YOU LOOK JUST LIKE...

...**KAOS**?!







WUBBA  
DUBBA.

I'LL DESTROY  
THE SKYLANDERS  
FROM WITHIN...

...AND  
NO ONE  
WILL EVER  
SUSPECT A  
THING!

ENCHILADA.

GOTTA  
GOTTA GET AN  
ENCHILADA.

MY TURN  
TO STEER!

ENCHILADA?

FLYNN?

KITCHEN  
MUST BE THIS  
WAY...

FLYNN!



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